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Forget those 'three lions on a shirt' – Cowbridge has five lions in a pub!

ON June 13, The Edmondess Arms, Cowbridge, hosted a unique fundraising event.

It started as a discussion over a pint on a Friday evening when it was established that no fewer than five former British Lions lived within a mile or so of the pub – surely something no other local in the UK could boast?

Brynmor Williams (one Lion and a pub regular), Trevor Morgan (landlord), and Gareth Petty decided it was too good an opportunity to miss to arrange an evening with the Lions as a fundraising event for Velindre Cancer Centre.

Brynmor used his influence to persuade JPR Williams, Ieuan Evans, Elgan Rees, and Simon Easterby to come along.

He also managed to acquire the services of Phil Steele, the BBC Wales rugby broadcaster to act as compere.

The evening started with Phil entertaining the packed house with amusing quips and anecdotes from his rugby career, and following that as an exceptional after-dinner speaker.

He then led a Q & A session with JPR and Ieuan, who have five Lions tours between them.

The highlight for Ieuan was scoring the series winning try in the '89 tour to Australia, and for John, the long-range drop goal to help win the '71 series in New Zealand – although he did also

mention his part in the infamous 99 call on the '74 invincibles tour to South Africa.

Phil then held a similar discussion with Brynmor, Simon, and Elgan, who between them went on four Lions tours.

They spoke about the importance of players from the four home nations bonding as a unit, essential in those days when tours could last for up to three months!

They also shared some amusing moments relating to room sharing whilst on tour, including the legendary Charlie Faulkner tales from Bryn!

The whole audience had a wonderful evening's entertainment from these legends of the game and helped raise an amazing £2,186 for Velindre.

Trevor and Gareth would like to express a huge thank you to the five local Lions, Phil Steele and the support of local companies, Fablas, Amanda Jones Jewellery, Coors, Mark Bradwick Photography, Waitrose, The Bear, and 81 High Street, and to all who attended and made the evening such a memorable occasion.

GP



Organisers of the event welcome Phil Steele and the five British Lions. Photograph by Mike Wilcock.

Key road closure in Llantwit Major

THERE will be a road closure on Cowbridge Road, Llantwit Major, for five days starting on Tuesday, June 25.

The road heads out of Llantwit Major and onto the roundabout leading to Cowbridge.

It means people in the Groeswen estate will have to get out of the town by going back down through the town centre. The road closure should end by the end of the month.

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Weycock Cross roadworks 'intolerable'

OVER the last six weeks, the journey from Rhooose to Barry has become intolerable during peak times.

The lack of urgency and communication from Welsh Water and the Vale Council has been staggering.

Clearly, very little thought has been given about the inconvenience this is causing people. I fully understand that

works may need to be undertaken, but would it have been that difficult to be more transparent about how long this is taking.

What makes this lack of respect for residents even more galling is the fact that work on this project only seems to occur between 10am and 3pm.

Andrew Garvey, Rhooose.

A response from the Vale Council to this issue can be found on page 10.

Pavement parking around school risks lives

WHAT is a pavement?

According to legislation, a pavement is "a raised, paved or asphalt path for pedestrians at the side of a road".

What is the purpose of a dropped kerb?

"A dropped kerb may not be used as a parking area and no part of it is exempted for the purposes of pavement parking".

What are The Highway Code rules for parking on pavements?

"You should not park on pavements unless

signs permit it".

This is a problem every single day, without fail, around Maes-yr-Ysgol and College Road in Barry and cars obstruct wheelchair users, people on mobility scooters and parents with pushchairs, among others.

In these days of poor air quality, pollution, global warming, child obesity and general safety all around, being selfish, ignorant and plain lazy is no excuse.

Name and address supplied.

'Do your bit, dog owners'

IAM a dog owner and take my dog regularly over to Parade Gardens, Barry, most days for exercise.

I am annoyed by how much dog mess is on the verges of the footpath in the park.

These dog walkers cannot be concerned for the environment and health of other dogs and their walkers.

They are more interested in letting their dogs off the lead, walking on in front and chatting, or

on their phones instead of watching their dogs doing their business.

Do your bit and pick this mess up; get your bags from the library or Civic Offices and be responsible for your dog.

I can clean parks for people and children to enjoy, not one covered in poo.

There is no use at all for enforcement signs to be put up if the council is not going to impose fines. We need prompt enforcement to stamp out this behaviour.

Carl Richardson, Barry.

Readers' Letters

Please keep your letters BRIEF and address them to: The Editor, at Glamorgan GEM Ltd, Graig House, 53 Eastgate, Cowbridge CF71 7EL or email editorial@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

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CCTV in the Vale provides security

AT a recent meeting of Highlight Park Community Neighbourhood Watch, news of proposed cuts to CCTV in Barry area was met with shock, horror and concern.

The article last week in the GEM echoed residents' concerns and confirms what we heard.

Unlike the fears that 'Big Brother is watching' when it was originally introduced, CCTV has proved its value to residents' safety and police investigations.

Consideration that CCTV in Barry may be ceased has caused residents alarm that it could even be considered. Barry is attracting an increased number of visitors each summer.

We already have regular newspaper articles highlighting incidents of violence, anti-social behaviour, damage to properties (shops, cars etc.) and local people are not excluded from this.

We have an increased drug culture with urban gangs bringing more violence and coercion to our area and much more.

CCTV is such an important

tool for the police when investigating crime in the main Barry town shopping areas and Barry Island area.

I urge the Vale Council to be sensible in their decision making and take this into consideration for the safety of our residents. Consider what is the possible consequence when criminals and anti-social behaviour culprits become aware CCTV is no longer a deterrent.

Ada Flinn, Group coordinator, Highlight Park Neighbourhood Watch.

A second referendum is needed – on the Welsh Assembly

WHILE sitting in traffic on the M4 motorway outside Newport recently, my mind drifted to the question of "Just who IS the Welsh Assembly actually serving?"

Clearly, having spent £114m deciding not to improve the main communications link from England into the country, it cannot be acting either for Welsh businesses or the taxpayer. Ask any of the lorry drivers who towered over my little car that day whether we need a new road or not.

Take any of the devolved functions; health, education, transport – these are all doing worse than in England. Pay rates compare equally less favourably, so clearly the Assembly isn't working for the people of Wales either.

Let us look at democracy in Wales. Recently, the Brexit Party won two out of the four MEP seats in Wales, taking 19 of the 22 wards. In the EU Referendum, Wales voted higher than the national average to Leave the EU, at 52.5 per cent. So given these figures, what do Plaid and Labour members of the Welsh Assembly do? They declare that they are going to campaign to remain tied to the EU, so clearly acting against the democratically held view of Welsh voters.

The referendum held in which Labour thrust the Welsh Assembly on us had a turnout of just 35.2 per cent. Of that, the margin that brought us the Assembly was just 0.6 per cent. That 0.6 per cent of the 35.2 per cent who voted brought the Welsh Assembly and established another layer of bureaucracy for taxpayers to finance.

Compare that to the EU Referendum, with a record breaking turnout of 72.2 per cent. Of that, the democratic majority voted to leave the EU (51.9 per cent) compared with 48.1 per cent, a margin of 3.8 per cent – a small margin, but one that is over six times as great as the one that

thrust the Welsh Assembly onto us.

Given that the Welsh Assembly clearly do not represent businesses, the taxpayers, the people or the democratic wishes of Wales, surely it has become self-serving?

The controlling Labour/Plaid wish to overturn Wales' democratic wish to leave the EU – surely now is the time to have a second referendum on whether Wales still wants a Welsh Assembly?

The actual consequences of the Brexit Referendum are not yet known, and will not be until we actually leave the EU. The consequences of having a Welsh assembly are known, as it has now been established and Labour-controlled for more than 20 years and yet it is still failing the people of Wales at every level.

Ade Pitman, Barry.

A step in the right direction' says reader

Iwas so glad to discover, in the last few weeks, that Glenn Griffiths, Dinas Powys butcher, is now using waxed brown paper envelopes in which to wrap his meat.

As a strong advocate of using less plastics I really appreciate this move. I hope other retailers will follow his example, especially supermarkets.

Sonia Lewis, Dinas Powys

Reader thanks good samaritans

MAY I, through The GEM, offer heartfelt thanks to the four young ladies who rushed to my assistance this morning (Monday, June 17) when I tripped and fell near the Cowbridge Town Arch.

They were genuinely concerned about a total stranger. Fortunately, apart from being very shaken up and having badly bruised knees, I was not in serious trouble. Nevertheless, the car owner was kind enough to give me a lift home.

Their kindness will not be forgotten.

Name and address supplied

'Politicians can do what they like'

READING the recent comments from the Vale Leader Neil Moore and what his plans are for the Vale, have I missed something?

How on earth is he and his deputy, Cllr Lis Burnett, now running the Vale Council? When was the election?

If I am not mistaken, at the last election Labour were kicked out of office by the Conservative party. We are all aware that several members of the Conservative party threw their dolls out the pram and left the Tories to become independent councillors, but there are

still serving councillors on the Vale Council. How on earth can he just walk into a position without any consultation with the people? We have not had any election since the last council elections. I did not vote for Labour and I most certainly resent the fact we seem to have a new Labour administration without any say from Vale residents.

I intend to make a formal complaint to the Local Government Ombudsman. It seems that politicians can do what they like and get away with it. Cllr Moore – the people gave a mandate to the Conservative party, not you.

D J Radford, Barry.

'Where does our plastic recycling go?'

I'M a mother of two young children, I'm a militant recycler and trying to cut down single use and multi-use plastic in our home.

I've been following the BBC show 'War on Plastic' and am dismayed to find that the plastics I do use and strictly recycle may be finding their way to countries like Malaysia, not being recycled and even worse openly burned!

I call on the Vale Council to publish the plastic waste route and final destination of the materials we are being encouraged to recycle.

Gemma Stauber, Barry

'Pumps dry at petrol station'

WANTING petrol for my car, I called at the petrol station in St Athan, only to find the pumps that I needed were empty and awaiting delivery.

Having lived in Llantwit Major for over 50 years, we have always had a garage and at one time, two.

With all the new houses, each with one or more cars, I feel this is something we really need here.

Betty Ellis, Llantwit Major.

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Choir's Sandra receives BEM!



ABOVE: Sandra Williams who received a BEM.

COWBRIDGE Male Voice Choir's accompanist, Sandra Williams, has received 'Medallist of the Order of the British Empire (BEM)' in the Queen's Birthday Honours list.

The award was given for 'services to the community in the Vale of Glamorgan' and reflects her almost continuous service to the choir since its formation in 1971, as well as her extensive teaching activities at local schools.

Commenting on the award, Sandra said "I am overwhelmed to have received the honour of the award from

Her Majesty and a huge number of congratulatory messages from friends and supporters of the choir".

Leon Fear, chairman of Cowbridge Male Voice Choir, echoed the sentiments of many when he said "Sandra has been the backbone of the choir since its foundation and the BEM is immensely well deserved – a very special award for a very special person".

Cowbridge Male Voice Choir is busy rehearsing in preparation for its annual concert on Saturday, July 20, at Cowbridge Leisure Centre and Sandra's BEM will no doubt spur choristers on to deliver a really medal winning performance!

JW

Who will be Llantwit's star baker?

STAR bakers in the making can enter the Great Get Together Llantwit Major Bake Off this week.

Bakers of all ages are invited to enter their bakes for judging at the event on Sunday, June 23, at 12.30pm and the town's star baker will be announced at 1pm by the town's Deputy Mayor.

A spokesperson said: "We welcome all bakes for this fun element to our Great Get Together. "All will be shared at our Chatty Cafe following the award. We welcome too, any bakes, homemade or off the

shelf, to share at our locally community event, for the nation coming together."

The Great Get Together Llantwit Major takes place on Sunday, June 23, from 12noon to 3pm at Seaview Park.

Any wet weather alternative venue will be announced before the weekend on Facebook GreatGetTogetherLlantwit. To book for the free event, head online to Eventbrite and search for GreatGetTogetherLlantwit.

CAOS celebrate 50th anniversary season

CAOS Musical Society have brought their 50th anniversary season to a close with a gala dinner at The Duke of Wellington in Cowbridge.

Around 50 past and present members together with patrons and friends enjoyed a fine meal with entertainment provided by some current members and a band led by member and local musician Chris Williams, featuring his talented sons and two fellow masters of the bass and drums.

Chairman Chris Banks gave a speech which paid tribute to the early pioneers of the society and other notable members from its history.

This followed on from their successful production of Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd-Webber's Jesus Christ Superstar, which was performed to sell-out houses over three nights at the end of May in Stewart Road Community Centre in Rhosoe.

The cast were supported by a chorus of 30 members and a five-piece band under the musical direction of Diane Normansell.

Stage direction was

undertaken by Chris Banks with the assistance of choreographer Sarah Hudson and lighting, sound and stage management were carried out by Mulhern Entertainment and Events from the Isle of Wight.

In his review, the local representative from NODA wrote: "The full company used the hall to its full potential interacting with the audience well, while there were space issues, these were overcome cleverly. The set was if anything simple but worked, enabling cast to act and sing on different levels and enable the actors to look down on the action and have a more superior presence. The crucifixion and following exit through the auditorium left a prolonged silence."

The society are looking to the future and new members are always welcome.

The are holding an open taster session on Wednesday, July 10 at 7.45pm at the Paul Lewis Community Centre, Glyndwr Avenue, St Athan and all are welcome regardless of singing ability - full details can be found at the society's Facebook page.

CB



Wendy Ajuwon, Ben Harbron and Mike Shaft from IAD Company at the awards event.

St Athan home for autistic adults wins two national awards

THE IAD Company have won the 'Most Inspiring Building Project' at the national Inspire Awards held this month in Manchester.

This is the second time in as many weeks that the Cardiff architectural consultants have won national acclaim for the project transforming a historic barn complex at St Athan into a home for adults with a diagnosis of autism.

Ty Carreg is now a flagship residential care facility for adults with autism, after IAD was tasked with creating a beautiful yet practical home for 12 residents with additional needs.

Rebecca Lewis-Chapman, director at IAD Company, said: "Ty Carreg was a real labour of love for us as architectural consultants and designers.

"It's not every day that you get the opportunity to pour your expertise into something which stands to make such a tangible difference to the lives of the end user.

"To have had our efforts recognised with not one, but two national awards, is absolutely overwhelming."

The company's Inspire Awards win comes on the back of a 'Design in Mental Health' award, which IAD also claimed in recognition of its work rebuilding Ty Carreg at the end of May.

LOCAL VALE LAW FIRM WINS TOP UK AWARD 'SUCCESS STARTS WITH A GREAT TEAM'



Catherine Hartland & Alexandra Jenkins

Local Barry Law firm attended the prestigious Modern Law Awards in Manchester on Thursday 31 January 2019 and were the only law firm from Wales to reach the finals, the only law firm to be finalists in more than 2 awards, and the only law firm to come away with three awards.

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Protesters hail their 'people power' after Ham Woods victory

PROTESTERS in Llantwit Major are celebrating a victory after an appeal by a developer to introduce a 'tree tent' campsite in Ham Woods was rejected.

OOTA Property Ltd's case had been under consideration by a planning inspector.

The company had argued that the tree tent project would make the best use of the land in a neglected area and pointed out that although Vale councillors had not backed the proposal, the application had received "a favourable recommendation from the head of (Vale) planning services".

However, a planning inspector dismissed the appeal because nearby residential properties could suffer disturbance and levels of noise. OOTA's application for costs was also refused.

The decisions were welcomed by local councillors.

Cllr Gwyn John said: "It is great news and I'd like to thank everyone who contributed by sending objections to the appeal process. Llantwit First Independents have worked very hard on this over the past six months.

"The key issue proved to be the impact of noise. The only way to safeguard the woods in the future would be for the community to purchase the woods. Maybe a community trust could be set up with that aim."

Cllr Gordon Wilkie told The GEM: "This is great news as our fight for Ham Woods has been a team effort. It was people power and teamwork by residents, councillors, Assembly Members and our MP that

has helped to achieve this result.

"Every signature on our petition, every objection raised and our protest demonstration has shown the planning system that people care and are concerned about our environment."

Cllr Wilkie said if the developer launched a legal challenge, the community would continue its campaign to prevent any development of the woods.

Assembly Member for South Wales Central Andrew RT Davies had contacted the Planning Inspectorate, asking it to uphold the Vale councillors' original decision on the grounds that there was insufficient parking, it would involve ecological damage and have an adverse impact on residents.

He said: "These plans would have been deeply destructive, causing the removal of several trees and destroyed the habitats of many species.

"On top of that, there were serious logistical issues, with insufficient parking or access, and the proposals were clearly unneighbourly.

"I contacted the Planning Inspectorate, asking that the appeal be rejected, and I am pleased that it has been.

"I would like to pay tribute to the residents and councillors, particularly Cllr Gordon Wilkie, who worked incredibly hard to organise the campaign. I hope this now draws a line under the matter and puts a stop to the plans once and for all."



ABOVE: Protestors pictured at one of several meetings called to oppose the developer's plans for 'tree tents' in Ham Woods.



COMMUNITY NEWS
TREOES, LLANGAN
& ST MARY HILL
News and views from
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News from Llangan Primary School

Friends of Llangan School held a very successful Father's Day gift stall on Thursday, June 13 at the school.

It was so popular that a few of the parents had to rush out and buy extra gifts!

The children really enjoyed choosing their own gifts for Mother's and Father's Day and the school is really grateful to the Friends of Llangan for their support.

Everyone at the school is hopeful that there is an improvement in the weather for the sports day which takes place today (June 20).

Following the event, the Friends of Llangan School are holding a mini summer fair.

This will take place straight after the sports events and will include a barbecue, refreshments and a lot of fun!

New footpath
Work which has been in operation in the Fferm Goch area of Llangan is now complete with a new footpath, leaving the playing field to the St Mary Hill and Llangan Community Hall.

Barriers are also in place to prevent children running on to the very busy Pentremeyrick-Pencod Road.

Reminder
Everyone and their pets will be assured of a warm welcome at the pet service which will take place at St Cannas, Llangan, on Sunday, June 23 at 11.15am.

'Junction 34 link road funding the wrong priority' says AM

SOUTH Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies has called on the Welsh Government to rethink their priorities, after more funding was provided for the controversial M4 link road through Pendoylan.

In a letter to Mr Davies, Minister for Economy and Transport Ken Skates confirmed £750,000 had been provided to the Vale Council to undertake a WeTAG3 study of the project.

Mr Davies said he supported improving the road between the A48 and M4 Junction 34, but that the proposed "over-engineered" solution would be both damaging and unnecessary.

Instead, he called for the existing infrastructure to be upgraded, and demanded greater priority be given to the much-needed Dinas Powys

by-pass.

Mr Davies said: "Most residents agree that the road between the A48 and Junction 34 needs improving, but plans for a viaduct dissecting the Ely Valley are not the answer. It is both unnecessary and a waste of resources, all while the Welsh Government have been proudly declaring a climate emergency.

"Instead, a far more cost effective and practical solution would be to upgrade the existing road infrastructure. If WeTAG3 funding can be made available for this project, then it should certainly be provided for the Dinas Powys by-pass too.

"The by-pass would put an end to the gridlock between Cardiff and Barry, and it's clear this should be the priority."

Writing circle launched in Llantwit Major

THE first meeting of Llantwit Major Writing Circle takes place on Wednesday, June 26 (7pm).

The group will meet every month at Llantwit Major Heritage Centre, Llantwit Town Hall (the side entrance by the car park).

A spokeswoman said: "All are welcome, regardless of writing experience. Our aim is to foster creative writing and encourage each other to keep going.

"Each month there will be a focused writing activity to stimulate new writing, but writers are welcome to bring samples from works-in-progress to share with the rest of the group who will be invited to give positive and constructive feedback.

"It is completely free to attend but a small voluntary contribution to the hire of the room and refreshments can be made if members so choose."

For more information contact: kath_giblin@icloud.com.

RAF sergeant named captain of UK team

SERGEANT Georgie Smith (39), who lives in Llantwit Major, has been named captain of Team UK at the Warrior Games which takes place in Florida later this month.

The inspirational mum-of-two featured in The GEM during MS Awareness Week earlier this year, explaining how an MS diagnosis had not held her back in her career. She will captain a team of 20

military personnel – people who have had to overcome serious wounds and injuries.

She said: "When I received the phone call from Help for Heroes asking me if I'd like to be this year's Warrior Games team captain I was overwhelmed and shocked but also felt a rush of pride and a sense of achievement."

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'Titanic dreams' at Flower Club

MEMBERS and guests felt as if they were reliving the film Titanic at the latest Cowbridge and District Flower Arrangers' Flower Club open meeting.

Nigel Whiles, national demonstrator, entertained the delighted audience with arrangements containing exquisite flowers and with music.

Chris Budd, programme secretary, was thrilled to win the star prize, Titanic, and president Georgina Magnay gave the vote of thanks.

The next meeting of the Cowbridge and District Flower Arrangers is on Wednesday, June 19 in the Lesser Hall, Cowbridge, at 7.30pm when the AGM will take place with a fun social; all welcome.

Latest news from Boverton WI members

THE June meeting of Boverton WI was a riot of colour, no thanks to the dreadful weather.

The speaker was Charlotte Leeke from Your Colours, who demonstrated what best suited our hair, eyes and complexion.

Three members volunteered to be models and everyone tried to decide which colour was best for them – not always an easy task!

The July meeting will start at 7pm and will include a book stall, after the finish of business for the evening.

On October 5 at Miskin Church Hall, 'What the Judge is looking for' – members can bring along something they have made for

judging; cost £5.

Civic Sunday is on July 21; St Athan WI hopes to start Walking Netball and a show of hands was counted.

August 17 is the Llantwit Major Horticultural Show; Saturday, October 2 is a craft spectacular at Margam Orangery.

The president thanked Alan for the excellent photographs he took of Sam B's fashion show and Pam Lewis for her report. The monthly competition – 'a favourite scarf' – was won by Anne Beckwith.

Boverton WI meet at Llantonian Hall on the second Thursday of the month; visitors are always welcome.

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LAMBS group's visit to Portsmouth



The LAMBS group made the most of the sunshine on their trip to Portsmouth

PORTSMOUTH might have waved goodbye to the moving scenes of the D-Day 75 celebrations on June 6, but on June 7 it saw the arrival of a two-day visit by LAMBS (Llansannor Ancient and Modern Buildings and Settlements).

Four warships spanning almost 500 years, formed a memorable backdrop to the Portsmouth experience.

There was a harbour boat tour in brilliant sunshine with the unusual sight of helicopters taking off from the enormous aircraft carrier, *Queen Elizabeth*, named in 2014.

Going back 160 years, *The Warrior* illustrated the transition from sail to steam on one vessel. We were impressed with the numbers of people – over 14,000 – who visited her in one day in 1863 on her tour of the UK, and the ability of the crew to dock this huge vessel of 420ft in length from below decks with only compasses as the visual guide.

The ship formed an oil jetty in Milford Haven from 1927-79 but has since been refurbished to her original Victorian state.

We listened to a very moving account of the Battle of Trafalgar, 1805 while on board *HMS Victory*, with some of us participating in the process of loading and firing one of her guns.

The *Mary Rose* sank in 1545. We were all impressed with the museum experience surrounding the raised vessel.

There was so much fascinating and variously presented information: not just about life on the flagship, but also about life during the reign of Henry VIII.

All LAMBS trips involve a meal and some incidents. We had our fair share, with the weather providing brilliant sunshine on Thursday, but monsoon conditions on Friday morning must have affected our Uber driver's memory, since some of us were dropped off on the wrong side of the naval dockyard involving a mile-long walk back in the rain.

The drive back through the June hail and floods in north Cardiff on Friday evening also proved an adventure. However, we had our usual fun with lots of laughter and our thanks go to our chair, Tricia Duffield, for organising the annual 'away' activity for 2019.

CEB

AM congratulates honours recipients

SOUTH Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies has sent his congratulations to Vale residents recognised in The Queen's Birthday Honours List.

Cowbridge-based Professor Robert Hughes Williams CBE was awarded a knighthood for services to higher education research and the Welsh Language.

Another Cowbridge resident, Joshua Llewellyn-Jones, was awarded the OBE for services to cystic fibrosis research. He has raised over £650,000 for various charities, included CF Warriors, which he founded.

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Llantwit Major Town Mayor, Robert Gant, tries out the green at the bowling club.

New bowls club extension opened

TOWN Mayor Cllr Robert Gant officially opened the new extension at Llantwit Major Bowls Club last week with the deputy mayor Gerwyn Thomas, Cllr David Powell, Cllr Gordon Wilkie, and Cllr Graham Morgan.

The Mayor cut a ribbon before being shown around the new extension by club president Mike Adams, and had a bowl on the green. In fact, the Mayor's bowl was so good, the club is trying to recruit him!

The new extension replaced a small wooden building obtained from the RAF on Wick Road in 1960, which was the

only building until 1974, when the main building was built. The new extension now completes the club with new changing rooms and toilets including disabled facilities, and a new entrance which makes the green more accessible, and allows greater visibility of the green from outside.

The club wishes to thank the town council and staff, and members for all their hard work and help with obtaining grants, raising funds and getting planning permission for the new facility.

For more information on the club, visit www.lmbc.wales, call 01446 311599 or call in.

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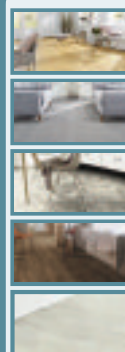
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A Messy Church will be held on Sunday, June 23 in Llyswnor Church from 12 noon to 2pm.

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For further information contact Pamela Haines on 01656 654330.



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Organised by local bookshop Griffin Books, the author talks include fiction, medicine, faith, politics, poetry and children's books, all with a distinctly Welsh flavour, as well as a creative writing workshop.

Tickets are available at www.ticketsource.co.uk/griffinbooks or on 02920 706455.

Highlight Cuppa
HIGHLIGHT Park Cuppa will be open from 2.30pm-3.30pm on Monday, June 24 in the Highlight Park Community Centre; everyone welcome – enjoy a cuppa and some company.

CADS presents 'DECKCHAIRS 2' by Jean McConnell will be performed from July 10-13 at The Market Theatre, Cowbridge (next to the Scout Hall).

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Dogs' Trust Bridgend need homes for Collies



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DOGS' Trust Bridgend is appealing for forever homes for lots of Collies, as the rehoming centre has had an influx of this loveable breed.

The fabulous 14 range from longer stay resident, two-year-old Whiskey, to nine-week-old pup Lotus Blossom and her six littermates. While the pups have now found loving new families, the rest are eager to meet their special someone.

The current Collie residents at Dogs Trust Bridgend include

three-year-old Khaleesi, who hasn't had much socialisation in her early life and can be shy when it comes to meeting new people. She will need to live with another dog already in the home in a quiet rural area, with an adult only family who are prepared to make a few visits to the centre to build up a relationship.

Three-year-old Percy is timid and is looking for a forever family and needs to be the only dog in an adult-only home. She is a bright girl and with patience, she will be a lovely companion.

Energetic lad Whiskey is two years old and is looking for a family that can keep up with him! Another dog already in the home would help with his confidence. His new family would need to make multiple visits to build up a bond with him before taking him home and would prefer a quiet home life so he can learn to settle.

Angela Wetherall, Dogs Trust Bridgend Rehoming Centre Manager, said: "Sadly, we do see many of these types of dogs coming into us for a variety of reasons and sometimes they are

handed in when they become too much for their owners who have not considered the implications of owning a breed that requires a lot of mental and physical stimulation. They need regular exercise, so it is important that we find owners who understand the demands of this breed and are in a position to offer a life-long commitment."

If you are interested in offering any Dogs Trust Bridgend residents a loving home, call the rehoming centre on 0300 303 0292 or visit www.dogstrust.org.uk.

Hepatitis A outbreak investigated in Vale

PUBLIC Health Wales is currently investigating an outbreak of seven confirmed cases of Hepatitis A in the Vale.

The outbreak has spread beyond a cluster of five cases after recent vaccination sessions in schools in Penarth and Barry. The two new cases of Hepatitis A are not in children attending the schools, and both have direct links to the original five cases.

Public Health Wales, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board and the environmental health team at Shared Regulatory Services (SRS) Wales are investigating the outbreak and offering advice to close contacts of the patients.

Dr Rhianwen Stiff, Consultant in Communicable Disease Control for Public Health Wales, said: "Hepatitis

A is a viral infection that may cause flu-like illness or gastrointestinal upset. Hepatitis A can be unpleasant, but it's not usually serious. Children often only have a very mild illness or do not have symptoms at all.

"The best way to prevent infection spreading is to encourage good hand washing at all times, particularly after using the toilet and before preparing or eating food.

Symptoms can include flu-like illness such as tiredness, general aches and pains, headaches and fever, loss of appetite, nausea or vomiting, abdominal pains, jaundice, very dark urine and itchy skin."

People are advised to contact their own GP or NHS Direct Wales on 0845 46 47 if they have any concerns about their health or their child's health.

War-time tales for Probus Club

LLANTWIT Major Probus Club met on June 11 in Illtud's 216, when the meeting was opened by the president, who welcomed members and gave a rundown of historical events that occurred on that date.

He advised members that a visit to the Bristol Aerospace Museum and Bath had been decided, which will take place in September.

The speaker was Richard Vidler, who read a fascinating account written by his aunt of family experiences during the war when they witnessed the attack on Pearl Harbour.

The vote of thanks was given by John Clarke and the raffle was won by David Brinsdon.

Next meeting is on Tuesday, July 9 when the speaker will be Viv Kelly.

For further information on Probus Club, contact secretary Mick Mason on 01446 793593. MM

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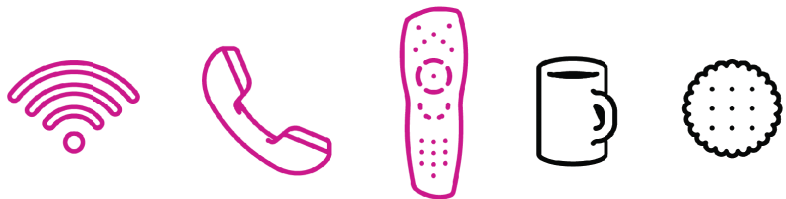
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Ysgol Bro Morgannwg pupils excel in Eisteddfod in the Bay



ABOVE: The school's year-7, 8 and 9 choir took first place.

YSGOL Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg enjoyed a successful Urdd National Eisteddfod.

The week-long festival celebrating Welsh language and culture was held in Cardiff Bay this year and YGBM pupils won a total of 20 medals in a wide range of categories from singing, acting, creative writing, art, music, mathematics and hairdressing.

Adding to the celebrations was the announcement that former pupil Brenning Davies had won The Crown, the main literary prize for prose.

Brenning, now a first-year student at Oxford University where he is reading English, explained that the main reason he had competed for The Crown was the school.

He said: "I was inspired to compete for The Crown this year by the encouragement the Welsh Department at Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg had given me, especially Miss Heledd Lewis and it is a huge privilege to win The Crown."

"Another boost was winning the year-12 and 13 prose competition at the Urdd Eisteddfod last year, and feeling that I wanted to stick to my Welsh roots even though I now live half the year in England!"

Mr Hywel Price, headteacher, commented: "YGBM is very proud of all our pupils who took

part in the Urdd National Eisteddfod from the opening ceremonies, helping behind the scenes, preliminary rounds and on the national stage.

"The eisteddfod is a wonderful opportunity for students to express their many talents and this was certainly shown in the medals won across a wide range of competitions. The medals are only the tip of the iceberg as we encourage everyone to take part, and this year we had a good percentage of our students compete."

"To see our former pupil Brenning Davies crowned for his literary skills was the highlight of a very successful week. Llongyfarchiadau!"

Medal Winners

Efa Peake harp solo years 7, 8, 9 – 2nd place. Gracie Sheldon guitar solo yrs 7, 8, 9 – second place. Begw Rowlands monologue yr 13 and under – second place. Anni Davies and Begw Rowlands acting yr 13 and under – 1st place. Billy Thomas stand up comedy yr 13 and under – 3rd place. Mali Rhys-Dillon art colour prints yrs 7, 8, 9 – 1st place. Taliesin Griffiths art ceramics yrs 5, 6 – 3rd place. Morgan Anstey mathematics yrs 7, 8, 9 – 1st place. Lowri Thomas creative writing yrs 10, 11 – 1st place. Morgan Bailey music composition yr 13 and under – 1st place. Morgan Bailey music composition yrs 10, 11 – 3rd place. Olivia Nash hairdressing level 1 – 2nd place. Choir SA yrs 7, 8, 9 – 1st place. Girls' choir yrs 7, 8, 9 – 1st place. Drama performance yrs 7, 8, 9 – 2nd place. Folk dancing yrs 7, 8, 9 – 3rd place. Vocal ensemble yr 13 and under – 1st place. Musical show ensemble yr 13 and under – 3rd place. Choir SATB yr 13 and under – 1st place. Drama performance yr 13 and under – 1st place.

AM congratulates Vale Honours List recipients

SOUTH Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies has sent his congratulations to Vale residents recognised in The Queen's Birthday Honours List.

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Abi Reader runs Goldsland Farm in Wenvoe, and was awarded the MBE for services to farming. Jayne Louise Ludlow is the manager of the Welsh women's football side, and her MBE was for services to women's football in Wales.

Sandra Elizabeth Williams of Cowbridge was awarded the British Empire Medal (BEM) for services to the community in the Vale.

She has played a key role in Cowbridge Male Voice Choir and is the organist at St Hilary Church.

Mr Davies said: "It is once again fantastic to see so many people from across the Vale recognised, and to see a knighthood among them, which Professor Williams fully deserves for his hard work."

£100 dog fines on the way

FINES of £100 for antisocial dog owners in the Vale are set to be enforced this summer.

Dog walkers would face on the spot fines if they do not pick up after their pets on sports pitches or other public spaces under a public spaces protection order which is currently being considered by the Vale Council. There would also be seasonal bans of dogs from some beaches under the order, which was approved by Vale Council's cabinet on June 17. If the full council approves the order in July, there will be a six-week period to allow for any appeals, after which the proposals would be enforced.

Seasonal bans of dogs would still apply at Whitmore Bay in Barry Island, Dunraven Bay, and Cwm Colhuw but seasonal bans currently in place at Penarth seafront and the Knap beach would be removed.

Dogs would still be banned from all children's play areas, ecological conservation areas,

and bowling greens in the Vale and they would be required to be on leads all year round on the promenade at Whitmore Bay and Penarth seafront and pier.

A blanket ban of dogs from all sports pitches had been put forward but has since been dropped following opposition from dog owners.

A petition signed by 1,522 people opposed the ban but a consultation answered by 1,763 people found 57 per cent supported the banning of dogs from marked sports pitches.

A survey of the Vale Council's parks staff in 2017 found 93 per cent claimed there was an issue with people not removing dog faeces and 81 per cent claimed this problem was all year round.

"Staff responsible for maintaining the featured parks had expressed their frustration with irresponsible dog owners and claimed that the problem with dog fouling was under-reported to the council," a report said.

Matt Discombe, local democracy reporter

Chamber music on the pier



THE sixth Penarth Chamber Music Festival will take place from June 27-30, with 11 concerts at the iconic Penarth Pier Pavilion.

Tickets are available from www.penarth-chambermusicfestival.org.uk, ticketsource (03336663366) and on the door.

The artistic directors, David Adams and Alice Neary will be joined by festival patron, soprano Rebecca Evans, along with Malin Broman, Laura Samuel, Lesley Hatfield (violins), Rebecca Jones, Tom Dunn (viola), David Stark (double bass), Simon Crawford-Phillips (piano), Lenny Sayers (presenter) and James Lea (lecturer).

Chamber music masterpieces by Schubert, Brahms, Elgar, Strauss and Rachmaninov will feature, with a world premiere by Penarth resident, Robert Fokkens.

As well as the main evening concerts, a family concert and 'relaxed concert' in a supportive environment for those with special needs and their carers will be held.

Tickets (£5-£22) with free tickets for eight to 25-year-olds supported by Cavatina Chamber Music Trust.

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Possible jobs for ex-Ford employees

THERE are hopes that some of the 1,700 workers threatened with losing their jobs at the Ford engine plant at Bridgend could find new work at the Aston Martin plant at St Athan.

The possibility was raised at the National Assembly by South Wales Central AM Andrew R T Davies. He told Economy Minister Ken Skates that when jobs were shed by Tesco at Cardiff and Virgin at Swansea, there were other large businesses available to take on a lot of their workers.

The Bridgend Ford plant is predominantly an engineering facility where 1,700 jobs will be at risk following the end of the consultation period, and he pointed out to Mr Skates that Aston Martin are actively recruiting for 500 to 600 jobs. Mr Skates said Mr Davies was right to identify Aston Martin Lagonda as a major employer offering high-quality and well-paid work.

He said: "We believe that something in the

region of 500 jobs could be offered for Ford workers there. Aston Martin Lagonda have made south Wales their global home for the development of electric cars, showing confidence in Wales's ability to transition to a low-carbon economy. The company is incredibly ambitious with plans for new vehicles, and I'm hopeful that it will go on expanding."

"The Welsh Government stands ready to assist Aston Martin in expanding to ensure that more people have decent jobs and the Welsh Government are also working with other potential investors."

Mr Skates and his colleagues are working with the Department for International Trade and the Department for Business to secure as many job opportunities as possible and has been in regular contact with Welsh Secretary Alun Cairns concerning a number of potential investments. He said: "I am hopeful that we will be able to announce good news in the weeks and months to come."

MP

Barry school wins Young Carer award

YSGOL Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg has just won a prestigious award that acknowledges schools' provision for young carers.

The school won the 'Basics Level for Young Carers in Schools Programme' which was awarded just days after the school was rated 'excellent' for their 'Wellbeing and attitudes to learning' in their recent Estyn inspection report.

The award is given by Carers Trust South East Wales to schools who can offer young carers recognition and care while in school.

A 'young carer' does not have to be the main carer in the home, but could be living in the same house as someone who needs some extra care.

The school provides a fortnightly club for Young Carers to meet, discuss and share experiences.

The club chair is

Lowri Owen from year 12, who recently organised a school service to raise awareness of pupils who are carers at home.

Jennifer Denham, Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg's wellbeing officer, said: "It is important that young people feel supported in school and know they have somewhere to turn to if they feel under pressure – whether with homework, school life or punctuality."

In their recent Estyn report, it was highlighted that ensuring pupils' wellbeing is at the heart of Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg's work.

The report said: "An emphasis on nurturing respectful, caring and responsible citizens and providing care and support of the highest quality, permeates throughout the school."

Support for pupils with emotional, health and social needs is exceptional."

Building's future is up in the air

A VINTAGE building in Penarth could be turned into an art gallery or tea rooms as the council looks to sell it on.

The Vale Council has declared South Lodge in Windsor Gardens surplus to requirements and in January last year agreed to market it as being suitable for a "catering operation".

However, the Edwardian building, which boasts views over Penarth Esplanade, will be marketed for a range of uses, including residential visitor accommodation, tea rooms or gallery space or for community or tourism uses.

"It is not proposed to invite proposals to turn South Lodge into a residential home."

Matt Discombe, Local Democracy Reporter

Strawberry Fayre
BRIDGEND United Church on Tondur Road, Bridgend, will hold a Strawberry Fayre on Saturday, June 29, from 10am to 12 noon.

Entry is by donation which includes a scone, strawberries and cream, the coffee or squash.

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Action is required on Weycock Cross 'chaos' says AM

THE Vale Council must take action over the "ongoing chaos" being caused by roadworks at Weycock Cross roundabout in Barry, South Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies has said.

The disruption has been caused by works to upgrade Five Mile Lane, despite no maintenance being carried out on Port Road linking Cardiff, Barry and Rhose.

Mr Davies said he had been inundated with complaints from constituents across the area, pointing out that tailbacks were going back "miles" and causing considerable delays.

Similar problems have occurred on the A48 at Sycamore Cross, where the AM says that complex traffic controls have caused additional problems.

He called for action to be taken to minimise the disruption, and has raised concerns with the council.

Mr Davies said: "The works to upgrade Five Mile Lane have caused significant disruption on Port Road, despite the fact that this road is not part of the upgrade scheme.

"Many people are rightly concerned by the delays, which are especially bad in peak hours, and I have been caught in them myself far too often.

"The council must take action to minimise the inconvenience caused. I don't see why works on one road can have such effects on another, and they need to sort it out."

Emma Reed, the Vale Council Head of Neighbourhood Services and Transport, said: "We are fully aware of the frustration and disruption experienced by residents, businesses and visitors over the past few months at the Weycock Cross junction in Barry.

"The works being undertaken by water and electricity companies are connected to road construction works currently under way on Five Mile Lane which will significantly improve vehicle, pedestrian and cycling transport links in the area.

"The nearby Five Mile Lane improvement project will deliver faster journey times and a safer, more reliable route. The scheme will also offer improved access to Cardiff Airport and St Athan Enterprise Zone.

"The Weycock Cross Junction works include widening the road around the roundabout, installing a Toucan crossing on Port Road west on the road to the Cwm Ciddy pub, as well as the realignment of various kerbs to enhance cycling and pedestrian access.

"Construction work at the Weycock Cross roundabout, Barry

will also significantly improve local utility infrastructure.

"There have been ongoing technical issues with an old large asbestos water main which serves a significant number of properties in the Barry, Rhose and airport area. These are currently being addressed by Welsh Water whilst they are still maintaining water supplies to properties and businesses in the area.

"These water works are due to be completed by early July. Western Power Distribution are then due to carry out electrical works at the Weycock Cross junction, which are scheduled for approximately 10 days.

"Once these water and electricity works have been completed, construction work related to the Five Mile Lane project will resume and is due to be completed in the early autumn. As part of this work, the Weycock Cross Junction road will have a new surface.

"To minimise further disruption, work carried out by Welsh Water to construct a new water main, from the Welsh Hawking Centre on Five Mile Lane via the Weycock Cross Junction along Pontypridd Road, will take place at the same time at the Weycock Cross Junction."



Mrs Lyn Murray presents the trophy to the Alto Rebels team.

Golfers enjoy Ray Murray Golf Day

PROSTATE Cymru's annual golf day, the Ray Murray Golf Challenge, took place on May 17 at Machynys Peninsula Golf Club in Llanelli.

The day is one of the charity's key events in their annual calendar and is supported by a number of individuals and businesses from across Wales.

The golf day is held in memory of Ray Murray, the founder chairman of Prostate Cymru, who established the charity in Cowbridge in 2003. Ray was passionate about raising awareness of prostate issues and raising funds for the charity to improve patients' experience in Wales.

As a keen golfer, one of the key events he organised each year was a charity golf day and Prostate Cymru continues to run the annual golf event in his honour.

Golfers, including Ray's sons Rob and Matt Murray, enjoyed 18 holes of golf on the Nicklaus championship course.

Fundraising activities including a raffle and games were held and prizes were presented to teams and individuals in the evening after a delicious two-course meal. The prizes were presented by the Murray family Lyn, Rob and Matt Murray.

The winning team were the Alto Rebels from office technology firm AltoDigital, successfully defending their title from

2018. BMI Healthcare Werndale Hospital and law firm Blake Morgan LLP placed second and third respectively.

Gareth Gamblins from Team Deadly won the prize for nearest the pin and Paul Doherty from Blake Morgan won the longest drive. The sweeps winners were ambassador Matt Murray from Team Murray for guessing the number of lost balls on the course, ambassador Eddie Butler from the Prostate Cymru team for guessing the number of tees in the jar and Andrew Street from Aecom, who correctly guessed where Prostate Cymru chairman Andy Thomas' first shot was going to land on hole 16 as part of the 'Spot the Surgeon's Drive' game.



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Jones Dairies' war on scourge of single use plastic!



CHRIS Jones of Jones Dairies delivers milk and fruit juice in glass bottles to his customers. IMAGE by GLYN EVANS.

A FAMILY-run dairy company in Barry has saved 150,000 uses of single-use plastic in the last 18 months thanks to customers switching to milk in glass bottles.

Jones Dairies, based on Dock View Road, has been delivering milk in the Vale for 90 years and is keen to do its bit to save the environment by encouraging deliveries in glass bottles rather than plastic ones.

Chris Jones, who runs the company with his brother Gareth, told The GEM: "Because of David Attenborough's films people have become aware of the serious damage that single use plastic items can do to the environment.

"Over the last 18 months many people have called us to say they

want their milk delivered in glass bottles. We estimate that has saved 150,000 items of single use plastic.

"Thanks to customers who have switched, and new people coming to us because they don't want to use the supermarkets' plastic bottles, we are now running along at an extra 2,500 pints in glass bottles every week."

The GEM featured the company in February 2018 when it started to get inundated with calls from eco-conscious consumers who had watched Blue Planet II, which was broadcast in late 2017.

The documentary revealed a startling statistic – that eight million tonnes of plastic a year ends up in the ocean.

Chris explained: "Unlike plastic, a glass bottle can be reused 30 times before it is sent off to be recycled. It is then recycled into new glass

bottles that will one day be recycled again. It is a continuous process."

Last week, a BBC programme, War on Plastic, presented by Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall and Anita Rani, demonstrated how households in just one street in Bristol had several thousand single-use plastic items.

Chris said: "It led to another surge in calls from people. Everybody has milk and consumers are thinking more and more about the packaging that is used. We sell milk, fresh fruit juice and spring water all in glass bottles.

"Supermarkets don't seem to want to deal in glass – maybe they think it's too fragile.

"Zero plastic waste is the ideal answer to the problem at hand and we're proud of the difference we are making."

'Sweetest pair' of Akitas a need home



MOJITO and Malakai are three-year-old Japanese Akitas who arrived at the centre together and give each other confidence, and therefore Dogs' Trust are looking to rehome them together.

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Air Passenger Duty to be devolved to Welsh Government by 2021

CARDIFF Airport has welcomed a report published on June 11 by the Welsh Affairs Committee into the devolution of Air Passenger Duty (APD).

The unanimously-agreed report recommends that the UK Government should hand over control of Air Passenger Duty in Wales to the Welsh Government by 2021.

Cardiff Airport has continuously reinforced its position on the matter – calling for the tax to be devolved and then reduced or abolished.

Cardiff Airport believes that the devolution and subsequent modification of APD in Wales offers a significant

opportunity to create value for both the airport and region, supporting an integrated UK aviation strategy without detrimental impact on airports across the border in England.

Devolution alone would not directly affect the airport business.

However, it would offer the Welsh Government the discretion to set levels appropriately for Wales.

It is the subsequent reduction or abolishment of APD, which would positively affect Cardiff Airport and the regional economy by stimulating airline activity resulting in more passengers and business growth.

While Cardiff Airport recognises the responsibility

of the industry to reduce its environmental impact, it acknowledges that displacing air travel to/from London airports will help reduce carbon emissions from long car journeys by keeping air travel within the region.

Cardiff Airport is firmly committed to reducing its carbon footprint and has introduced a significant number of initiatives to offset emissions and improve efficiency.

Deb Barber, CEO at Cardiff Airport said: "We are delighted by the findings of the report which show the Committee agree with the strength of the compelling case to devolve APD without adversely affecting English airports.

"Devolution allows the Welsh Government the discretion to set levels appropriately for Wales and must be balanced with environmental considerations – there is certainly an opportunity to reduce the need for long car journeys to and from English airports by increasing flight options to and from the region.

"The recommendation must now be taken seriously by UK Government. With Brexit on the horizon, the UK should seize the opportunity and take forward solutions to be more competitive, stimulate investment and encourage global connectivity."

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Talk on debut novel by local author

A TALK by local author Vanessa Savage will be at Penarth Library on Saturday, June 22, 11am-12 noon, when she will talk about her debut novel, *The Woman in the Dark*, which is set on the south Wales coast.

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Bridgend Male Choir's song of solidarity with Ford workers



BRIDGEND Male Choir performed the Welsh national anthem outside Ford's UK headquarters, following the company's decision to close their plant in Bridgend.

The choir were "supporting Ford Bridgend workers". Around 1,700 people will lose their jobs when the engine factory closes in autumn 2020. The choir stopped off at the offices in Essex following a scheduled performance at Chelmsford Cathedral.

Free equipment loan to community groups

GLAMORGAN Voluntary Services (GVS), a local charity based in the Vale, supports community groups serving the Vale with a variety of free and low cost services.

One free service is for equipment loan and items includes sound system; digital projector; display boards; flip-chart easel; tablet devices*; laptops; overhead projector; overhead screens (*terms and conditions apply, short loan period only).

If you would like to borrow any of the above equipment or find out more about GVS and its services please contact 01446 741706, e-mail enquiries@gvs.wales or visit gvs.wales.

City Deal bosses £50k business trip to Cannes

NEARLY £50,000 was spent flying out 10 high-ranking councillors and chief executives from south east Wales to a four-day business conference in the French Riviera.

Representatives of the Cardiff Capital Region (CCR) City Deal attended the Marche International des Professionnels d'Immobilier (MIPIM) in March to promote the £1.2 billion venture.

Flights, accommodation and transport costs totalled £17,586 for the trip to the renowned event in Cannes, which was attended by more than 26,000 investors, developers and journalists from around the world. The delegation included council leaders and chief executives.

Another £30,538 was spent on conference passes, an event stand, meetings, marketing materials and a debrief dinner.

A breakdown of costs per attendee is as follows:

- Cllr Huw David, leader of Bridgend council – £1,829.54.
- Cllr David Poole, leader of Caerphilly council – £1,855.94.
- Christina Harrihy, interim chief executive of Caerphilly council – £1,855.94.
- Cllr Peter Fox, leader of Monmouthshire council – £1,855.94.
- Paul Matthews, chief executive of Monmouthshire council – £1,855.94.
- Cllr Andrew Morgan, leader of Rhondda Cynon Taf council – £1,855.94.
- Frank Holmes, chief of the CCR Economic Growth Partnership – £1,829.54.
- Kellie Beirne, CCR director – £1,579.68.
- Two CCR council officers – £3,067.68.

In a report discussed by CCR leaders on June 10, director Kellie Beirne said the presence showed that the region was "in the game and invested in developing its international presence".

"A range of high-potential contacts and new high-value networks were formed," reads the report. "Whilst CCR was never going to leave MIPIM with a done deal, the potential for future collaboration and investment opportunities clearly exists. In this case, it was about establishing reciprocity, interest, creating buzz, connecting on a personal level and beginning to set out purpose and intent."

There are now plans to attend the MIPIM Cannes event in 2020, though Ms Beirne has suggested that the branding of the region should be strengthened.

Neil Briertley, who led the MIPIM trip as chair of the CCR Business Council, said: "MIPIM is the ideal opportunity to showcase the city region and ensure the CCR shines brightly in the European investment market."

"We consider the 2019 event a major success, and a springboard for MIPIM 2020."

Niall Griffiths
Local democracy reporter

Council leader – Vale decisions will 'take time'

THE new leadership of the Vale Council has been warned there are "no excuses" for kicking controversial plans for new parking charges and to 'close' a school into the long grass.

Cllr Neil Moore, who leads the Labour-led coalition now running the Vale Council, has said he won't be rushed into making key decisions or "kowtow to those who shout the loudest".

Key decisions on whether parking charges will be introduced to parts of the Vale for the first time, or the transfer of Llancaiach Primary School to Rhose, are not likely to be made until later in the year.

Vale Conservative Leader, Cllr Vincent Bailey, said the new administration had made its stance on these issues clear in opposition, and warned that members of the public would now expect them to come good on their commitments.

Cllr Lis Burnett, now deputy leader of the Vale council, tweeted during the Rhose by-election in February that the Llancaiach School closure "wouldn't be happening if Welsh Labour were running the council".

Cllr Neil Moore, as a member of the council's Environment and Regeneration Committee, voted unanimously along with other committee members to reject proposals for car parking charges.

Cllr Bailey said: "Cllr Moore is an experienced politician and played a key role as part of the Environment and Regeneration committee alongside

me in tearing up these proposals for parking charges.

"He is now in a position to reassure Barry Island traders that they need not fear the impact of draconian charges, and we will join the community in supporting him if he does."

On Llancaiach School, Cllr Bailey added: "Having spent two years chairing the committee which looked at this decision in great detail, it's hard to see why Cllr Burnett cannot come out right away and reverse this decision."

"These are not new councillors dealing with new issues. There really is no excuse to waste time and allow these concerns to fester over the summer."

In a joint statement, Cllrs Moore and Burnett said: "It's always disappointing when politicians suggest that simple answers to complicated issues are possible. Cllr Bailey would be aware that the last Labour administration repeatedly refused to consider recommendations to close Llancaiach."

"However, once it had been put on the table, I imagine the people of the Vale would expect us to fully review the proposal before a decision is taken."

"Our comments on parking charges are also a matter of public record. We also know we have to find a way to balance the huge costs of non-statutory services. We need to find a way of funding our much-loved country parks, the management of our resorts and car parks and our events programmes yet minimise any impact and inconvenience on local residents, businesses and communities. If that takes a little time, so be it."

Matt Discombe,
Local democracy reporter.

Council extends its Syrian refugee rehoming scheme

MORE refugees from war-torn Syria are to get new lives in the Vale.

The council has agreed to extend its participation in a United Nations scheme which resettles Syrian refugees until March 2020.

Syrian refugees have been taken in by councils in Cardiff and the Vale since May 2016 under a three-year agreement with the Home Office.

That has since expired but the Vale Council's cabinet has now agreed to continue actively resettle Syrian refugees until March next year.

Since May 2016 a total of 12 Syrian refugee families have been resettled in the Vale. The council now hopes to resettle another four families by March 2020.

A total of 28 families have been resettled across Cardiff and the Vale

since May 2016.

Cardiff council, which has also agreed to extend its participation in the scheme, hopes to rehome a further six Syrian refugee families by March next year.

A Cardiff council meeting has heard both councils have only used private rented accommodation to resettle the refugees amid growing demand for social housing and homelessness.

The UK Government funds the costs of resettling refugees for five years but the amount councils can claim reduces year on year.

In the first 12 months, councils can claim tariffs of £8,250 for each adult or £8,520 for each child on top of grants of up to £4,500 for schooling costs.

Matt Discombe,
Local democracy reporter

Two Corntown gardens open to the public for National Garden Scheme charity

CORNTOWN Gardens, Bridgend - Y Bwthyn and Rhos Geler is open on Sunday, June 23, between 11am and 4pm as part of the National Garden Scheme.

Y Bwthyn has had over 30 years of hard labour, some guesswork and considerable good luck resulting in a delightful garden.

The area at the

front of the house is a mixture of hot colour combinations whilst at the rear of this modest sized garden the themes are of a more traditional cottage garden style which include colour themed borders as well as soft fruit, herbs and vegetables.

There will be home-made teas at Y Bwthyn. Rhos Geler's garden has a lavender hedge at the front and subjects to attract butterflies.

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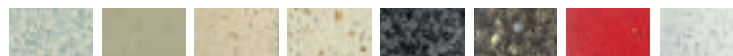
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Bryncethin Rugby Club's £550K project for community

PHIL Jones, the vice-chairman of Bryncethin Rugby Club, first played for the club 50 years ago and did not want to see a club with junior and adult teams at the heart of the community disappear when the council said they had a choice between pitch fees rising astronomically, the pavilion closing, or the club taking responsibility for running it and cutting the grass themselves.

Phil and three others at the club have spent the last few years undertaking a Community Asset Transfer (CAT) for the club's pavilion from Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC).

He said: "When I was young, the rugby club was the centre of village life. We played for it, and felt part of the village – any team sport is a good thing, for discipline and friendship."

"But rugby clubs are struggling. Some of the clubs in the county have already closed, and it's altering the social fabric of communities. Our pavilion was close to being condemned, and the council didn't have the money to spend on it."

"We realised we either had to take it on ourselves or it would close due to the sub-standard conditions, and rugby would ultimately go from the village. We have been in existence for 130 years but we would have been finished if we hadn't done this."

They are now leading a £550,000 building project, which is transforming the run-down pavilion into a two-storey community centre with new changing rooms, kitchens, an IT suite, a meeting room, large hall area and patio doors onto a balcony.

In addition to clubs and various organisations, town and community councils are also taking on facilities where they can, in order to ensure they are not lost.

In Bridgend, Bryncethin RFC's pavilion is the first outdoor sports facility to be transferred by the local authority. In recent years BCBC has wanted clubs to take on leases for buildings and sports fields, but it is only in the last year it has raised the stakes.

It has warned clubs and local organisations that if they do not take responsibility for them, the council will have little option but to close facilities – or charge clubs up to five times more to use them.

The council currently provides 40 football pitches, 31 rugby pitches, nine cricket squares and 17 bowling greens. A public consultation is currently running, asking clubs what appetite they have for taking on leases and how they should be managed. Historically, the council has provided the services on a heavily-subsidised basis, covering on average up to 80% of costs.

There is concern that as local authorities withdraw looking after outdoor sports facilities, football and rugby could slowly die out at grassroots level.

Graham Williams, director of community engagement at Sport Wales, says the increasing financial pressures on local authorities is having a knock-on effect on sports clubs.

He said: "Community asset transfer can provide a positive solution. However, there needs to be support – financial or from a skills perspective – from the local authority for any club looking to go through this process."

Governing bodies of sports are aware of the issues and, where they can, are also providing advice and support to their clubs."

He added: "The management of maintenance of sports pitches varies significantly across Wales and even between one town and the next. We know that many grassroots clubs rely on public facilities provided by local authorities."

In Bridgend, the CAT process has been criticised for being complex and lengthy, and is off-putting to clubs who are solely reliant on volunteers to run them.

Many of the buildings up for transfer are in a bad condition with only limited pots of funding available to restore them.

Phil Jones added: "One of my concerns is the older, more traditional and more community-minded members are used to turning up on a Saturday and having both the building, and grass-cutting taken care of by the council. I think the extra responsibility is just too much for them. It will be too much for the committee, and if you haven't got a committee, you haven't got a team."

Speaking about the club's refurbishment, club chairman Jon Davies said: "We built this with the community in mind, a pavilion the whole community could enjoy rather than be exclusively used by one or two groups. We've had expressions of interest from judo and karate clubs, a ballet school and a couple of charities."

"It was a big ask to take it on but since then, so many organisations have come forward to say they want to use it."

In addition to the building project, the centre will soon have its own dedicated car park with a minimum of 25 spaces.

While the project has been driven by the rugby club, a community group has been set up to run the centre, with the intention of including one person from each of the user groups. With 300 members belonging to the rugby club, there are strong links to the community and the skills of some of them have been invaluable to the CAT transfer process, providing legal assistance, construction knowledge and project management.

The project received £110k from BCBC's £1m pot for asset transfers which the club was then able to use to get £15k from the Welsh Rugby Union and further funding from the EU Rural Community Development Fund and Welsh Government's Community Facilities Programme.

The pavilion is due to be completed in the middle of June, with an official opening on July 19, and a community fun day on July 20.

Sport Wales has an online resource to support clubs – Club Solutions – that provides information to help volunteers, including guidance on asset transfer. It also has a £1 million fund for grassroots community facilities now open for applications until the end of June.

Liz Bradfield
Local democracy reporter

Local opticians help bowls club



TWO local opticians have agreed to sponsor Romilly Bowls Club as council budget cuts place the 111-year-old sports club under threat.

Specsavers' optical and audiology teams in Barry and Cardiff will sponsor the club, which has more than 70 members, for the next 12 months.

The club is one of dozens of sport groups in the region being asked to cover the

costs of their sports facilities following budget cuts from the Vale Council. The policy of asking clubs to take more responsibility for their assets such as sports grounds and clubhouses is not confined to the Vale. In neighbouring Bridgend county borough, the local authority is doing the same. (See story on left, concerning Bryncethin RFC.)

Graham Cogbill, chairman at Romilly Bowling Club, said: "Our club has been a

social hub for many of our members for decades and is a great way for older people to get some basic exercise."

He said the club needs to raise more than £15,000 a year to cover the maintenance of the green and other costs. While some of this will be made up from fees, there is still a significant shortfall and the club is reluctant to double or triple members' payments.

"We are so grateful for the support of Specsavers, as

their donations will edge us closer to our target and hopefully ensure we can continue to serve the community we love," Mr Cogbill added.

Jamie Pullen, director of Specsavers in Barry, said: "After hearing about the club's story and meeting the organisers directly, it was clear that we needed to do something. With the support of James Deavall (Specsavers Cardiff), we have been able to do our bit for the cause."

Byron's Devon Double

COWBRIDGE'S Byron Moorcroft brought his total of wins to 28 with a double at the Torrington Farmers Steeplechase at Umberleigh last Saturday – the end of the 2018-19 season.

Moorcroft, 31, who has enjoyed his best ever season, won the men's open on the nine-year-old brown gelding *Ramble On* and the open maiden race on the seven-year-old *Long Mile Road*.

The former, owned by Kevin Salter and trained by Luke Price, was odds-on favourite and came home nine lengths ahead of *Bay To Go*.

Long Mile Road, the 5-4 favourite, beat *Devon Redway* and is owned and trained by Jason Warner.

Ruperra Tom, owned by John Rees and former Welsh champion rider Tim Jones, was a five lengths winner of the intermediate race under the legendary Will Biddick. The 11-year-old bay gelding is trained by Mickey Bowen in Pembrokeshire.

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Out & About with The GEM

Men In Black's globetrotting adventure is great fun...

WHILE a far better effort than the misguided sequel, *Men In Black 3* seemed to put a full stop on the MiB franchise.

There were plans to merge the universe with that of the Jump Street films, a merger that thankfully failed to get off the ground, but it did kickstart plans to reinvent the franchise, starting with *Men In Black: International*.

There's no Will Smith or Tommy Lee Jones this time around though, as we meet Tessa Thompson's Molly. After having an encounter with an alien when she was younger, her memories have remained, and she sets about tracking down the men in black she saw.

When she infiltrates their headquarters, her resourcefulness sees her hired and renamed Agent M, and she finds herself assigned to the London branch where, working alongside the famous and slightly cocky Agent H (Chris Hemsworth) the pair go on a global journey to uncover a mole in the organisation...

It's been seven years since the last *Men In Black* film, one that undid the harm done by the second part but equally didn't exactly leave fans salivating for more adventures.

Men In Black: International, on the surface, feels like a film that is designed to take advantage of a dormant cinematic property and give it a fresh lick of paint while hopefully trousering a generous box office take while they're at it.

But, in actuality, this is a film that, while not hitting the heights of the first film, is fresh and vibrant enough to work as a kick starter to a whole new series of films on its own terms, taking the MiBs on a globetrotting adventure that may play out predictably but has a lot of fun



SCREEN TALK with GARETH JAMIESON

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doing so.

Shorn of Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones as leads, this is a film that leans heavily on the performances, and chemistry, of Tessa Thompson and Chris Hemsworth, and fortunately the pair excel. Having shared a winning partnership in *Thor: Ragnarok*, here the pair essay their roles with aplomb.

Thompson is the newcomer to the world of the *Men In Black*, keen to impress her new bosses and solve a mystery that, for the audience at least, is painfully obvious to resolve, while Hemsworth is the 007-esque charmer with a self-inflated opinion of himself and his work.

While much of the humour and enjoyment comes from seeing the pair rub each other the wrong way, there's enough in their individual performances to make their turns hugely satisfying, with the pair more than capable of handling the more dramatic moments when they come around, but taking great delight in hitting the funny bone, Thompson often playing the straight man to Hemsworth's comic leanings.

Around them are players who bring what is required - Liam Neeson's head honcho, Rafe Spall's by-the-book agent, Rebecca Ferguson's three-armed alien (and former love interest of Hemsworth's Agent H) and Emma

Thompson (the only returning character from the earlier films) - all more than dependable and filling out the cast well.

Director F Gary Gray is on something of a streak at present following the success of *Straight Outta Compton* and *Fast & Furious 8*, and here he shows he's more than adept at handling blockbuster fare, but never tries to make it too showy or ridiculous.

He's a reliable pair of hands and gives the film an energy that carries it through its running time, and while there's no jaw-dropping action sequence, there's plenty to savour and enjoy in a film that feels low-key for a summer blockbuster.

It's not a perfect film by any stretch - you can't help but feel some of the character work got lost at some point in the process, while the central mystery of the role becomes fairly obvious incredibly early on - but it still makes for a very enjoyable slice of fun, *Men In Black: International* a globetrotting delight.

VERDICT: A film that restores some of the glory to a franchise that seemed dormant, *Men In Black: International* is a solidly entertaining blockbuster, mainly thanks to the wonderful central turns from Tessa Thompson and Chris Hemsworth, as well as an enjoyable supporting cast. F. Gary Gray's direction is dependable and assured, and while the film doesn't reinvent the wheel, it gives the audience a good time. Enjoyable.

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Men In Black* (1997), *Thor: Ragnarok* (2017)

Local drama society pay a slick tribute to Frank...



THIS year the Llŷn Valley Amateur Dramatic Society presented excerpts from Frank Vickery's plays in *Let's be Frank*.

With excerpts taken from *Family Planning*, *One O'Clock from the House*, *All's Fair*, *After I've Gone* and *A Night Out*, the comedy was slick, funny and well presented.

IMAGE by PHIL DAVIES

What's on, and where in your area?

Support for the blind ARE you registered blind or partially sighted? Maybe you are a carer looking after a loved one or relative?

Cardiff and Vale Royal Institute for the Blind Cardiff and Vale works to help blind and partially sighted people enjoy independent and fulfilling lives. There will be a drop in information session on Tuesday, June 25 at Age Connects Cardiff and Vale Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry from 10am to 12 noon.

Epilepsy support DO you have epilepsy or care for a loved one or relative who has this condition?

Epilepsy Wales run a monthly Outreach Support Group at Age Connects Cardiff and Vale Senior Health Shop in Holton

Road, Barry and the next one is on Thursday, June 27 from 10.30am to 12 noon.

Chat to Lesley Williams from Epilepsy Wales and find out what support and advice is available. No appointment is needed; contact 01446 732385 for further information.

Mayor's coffee morning LLANTWIT Major Town Mayor, Cllr Gant, will be holding a coffee morning on Saturday, June 29 from 10am-12 noon at Llantonian Hall.

Entry is £3 and includes a cup of coffee/tea/soft drink and a cake.

Entertainment will be provided by the Ukulastics and there will be stalls held by the local art and craft group.

There are raffle prizes to be won with all proceeds donated to the Mayor's chosen charities;

Llantwit Major Stroke Support Group, Vale Plus and Woody's Lodge.

RBL drop-in Royal British Legion Cardiff and Vale are holding a drop-in information session on Tuesday, July 2 between 10am-12 noon.

The British Legion helps members of the British Legion, British Army, Royal Air Force, Veterans and their families.

They will have information on independent living, support for carers, supporting veterans in the local community and signposting to other networks is available and no appointment is needed - just come along to Age Connects Cardiff and Vale Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry, or call 01446

732385 for further information or just come along and have a chat.

Benefits advice ARE you living in Vale and need some advice or help on benefits such as pension credit, attendance allowance, housing benefit or disability living allowance?

Age Connects Cardiff and Vale run a free welfare rights service which can help you with any of these issues.

An adviser from Age Connects Welfare Rights Service will be able to chat on any of these issues and help with form filling.

A session will be held on Tuesday, July 2 between 9.30am-11.30am at Age Connects Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry, no appointment is needed.

Contact 01446 732385 for further information (home visits can be arranged).

Gems from Barry hit the TV screen

BARRY will be in the television spotlight later this week, appearing on a new S4C show.

The island and the surrounding area will be the subject of a full episode of S4C travel series, *Codi Pac*, which looks at hidden gems and places of interest in towns across Wales through the eyes of a tourist.

Host Geraint Hardy will learn the rich history of Barry during Roman, Norman and the industrial ages, by speaking to town resident, Alwyn Evans, in the Knap.

He then ventures towards Cold Knap Beach and onto Porthkerry Park for a stroll through the woods and to see the famous viaduct.

Geraint and the crew also visit the Small Space theatre near Barry High Street.

It describes itself as the world's smallest magic theatre, and Geraint witnesses a magic show, before heading to the Pleasure Beach and the War Museum on Barry Island.

Featuring heavily throughout the episode are Barry's popular restaurants, pubs, hotels and independent high street shops.

The programme also ventures out from the town into the Vale of Glamorgan, near St Athan to visit Gileston where he spends time in a traditional Glamorgan cottage.

Codi Pac will be shown at 8.25pm on Friday, June 21, (tomorrow) on S4C.

The Welsh language show will have English subtitles as an option.

The episode will also be available to watch on demand at S4C Clic and BBC iPlayer.

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Gŵyl Fach y Fro yw'r ŵyl flynyddol a sefydlwyd gan Menter Bro Morgannwg yn 2015 i ddathlu'r iaith Gymraeg a'r diwylliant Gymreig ym Mro Morgannwg. Mae'r ŵyl rhad ac am ddim hwn wedi mynd o nerth i nerth dros y blynyddoedd diwethaf, ac erbyn hyn mae wedi ennill ei lle yng nghalendr digwyddiadau Bro Morgannwg a'r cyffiniau gan ddenu cynulleidfaoedd eang i Ynys y Barri.

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Roedd line-up y Prif Lwyfan eleni'n cynnwys rhai o artistiaid mwyaf blaengar y sin gerddoriaeth Gymraeg – Meic Stevens a'r Band, The Gentle Good, Chroma, Bwncath, Bronwen Lewis a'r Gerddorfa Ukulele Gymreig. Mae rhoi cyfleoedd i artistiaid lleol yn flaenoriaeth hollbwysig, ac fe gafwyd perfformiadau eleni gan Dagrau Tân (band ysgol Sant Baruc), Canfas (crtw

o ddisgyblion Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg) a Hana2K (cyn-ddisgybl Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg, sydd newydd gael ei dewis i fod yn rhan o gynllun cyffrous 'Gorwelion 2019').

Ychwanegiad newydd at yr ŵyl eleni oedd Glanfa Gwynfor – llwyfan gymunedol a gafodd ei enwi gan ddisgyblion blwyddyn 6 Ysgol Sant Curig, yn deyrnged i'r arwr lleol a chenedlaethol, Gwynfor Evans. Camodd dros 300 o bobl ar lwyfan Glanfa Gwynfor yn ystod y diwrnod, gyda pherfformiadau gan blant a phobl ifanc o Gylchoedd Meithrin, Ysgolion ac Aelwydydd y Fro, yn ogystal â Chriw Canu Penarth, côr newydd i oedolion.

Hoffwn ddiolch yn fawr i'n holl staff, gwirfoddolwyr, partneriaid a pherfformwyr, ac wrth gwrs i'r 6,000 ddaeth draw i Ynys y Barri i gefnogi ac i fwynhau!

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Gŵyl Fach y Fro at Barry Island

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GŴYL Fach y Fro was held on Barry Island on Saturday, June 15, and the organisers are pleased that the event proved to be successful once again this year.

Gŵyl Fach y Fro is the annual festival established by Menter Bro Morgannwg in 2015 to celebrate the Welsh language and its culture. This free family-friendly festival has earned its place as an important addition to the Vale's events calendar, and attracts audiences from the Vale and beyond.

The festival includes live musical performances, craft stalls selling local Welsh produce, a food & drink area, street entertainers, BWRLWM play area, and a variety of arts and crafts, circus and sport workshops. Gŵyl Fach y Fro started this year with a show by some of S4C Cyw's presenters and characters.

The main stage line-up included some of the biggest names in the Welsh music scene – Meic Stevens and Band, The Gentle Good, Chroma, Bwnacath, Bronwen Lewis and the Welsh Ukulele Orchestra. An important priority for organisers is to ensure that Gŵyl Fach y Fro also offers the opportunity for young local bands and artists to take part.

Audiences enjoyed performances by Dagrau Tân (a band from Ysgol Sant Baruc), Canfas (a group of Ysgol

Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg pupils) and Hana2K (an ex-pupil of Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg, who has just been selected to be a part of the exciting 'Horizons 2019' project).

A new addition to this year's event was 'Glanfa Gwynfor' – a community stage which was named by pupils from Ysgol Sant Curig, as a tribute to the local and national hero, Gwynfor Evans.

Over 300 people took to the Glanfa Gwynfor stage throughout the day, with performances by children and young people from the Cylchoedd Meithrin, Schools and Community Groups in the Vale, as well as Crïw Canu Penarth, a new choir for adults.

We'd like to say a big thank you to all our staff, volunteers, partners and performers, and of course to the 6,000 who came to Barry Island to support and enjoy the festivities!

Thanks to our official photographer 'Camera Sioned' for preparing these selection of photos exclusively for The GEM – keep an eye on our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts over the next few weeks to see more!

We are now in the process of evaluating the event. Were you at this year's Gŵyl Fach y Fro? We would really appreciate your feedback and comments. A link to the short online survey can be found on Menter's website: www.menterbromorgannwg.cymru.



Barry Soroptimists' help for Welsh Hearts and cancer stem cell research



Barry and District Soroptimists recently donated a cheque to Welsh Hearts, one of the charities they support.

AT the end of her tenure, president Mary presented her two nominated charities with money raised by Barry and District Soroptimists during her year.

Welsh Hearts provide defibrillators, CPR training and heart screening sessions throughout Wales and were pleased to have a donation of £1,550 from Soroptimists.

Sharon Owen, the director and originator of Welsh Hearts, invited members to their offices in Llandaff to hear more about Sharon's plans for the future of the charity, after which volunteers gave the Soroptimists a CPR training session.

The European Cancer Stem Cell Research Institute in Cardiff University received a donation of £1,600 towards their vital work. Club members visited the centre for a guided tour of the facility, where researchers explained their roles and

demonstrated some of the equipment they use.

Members said that people should be proud to know important work like this was happening in Wales.

Donations have also been made to the Welsh Heritage Schools Initiative, LATCH, Amelia Trust Farm, the Meru Garden Project, Women-Water-Leadership, Lesotho Trust, Malarchi Poonchola Trust, Velindre Cancer Centre, Breast Cancer Care and The Owl Sanctuary.

The coffee morning at Barry Island Beach Huts raised more than £500 for Macmillan.

Besides doing voluntary community work, Soroptimists raise money by holding various functions during the year. Come and join in the events and help to raise money for worthy causes – every penny raised goes to charity.

To find out more, visit www.sigbi.org/barryanddistrict.

Maesteg's listed buildings are put in the spotlight

AN enthralling and fascinating presentation was made by local historian Roy Meredith in Maesteg council chambers recently. His talk went as far back as 1682 when there was the first recorded death of a person employed in mining coal entered in the

parish register, a Mr Meredith's talk

covered 18 of the listed buildings in Maesteg and detailed their uses and development up to the present day.

The buildings are under the care of 'Cadw Welsh Historic Monuments'.

Maesteg Town Council Chamber is one such building and the land to build the

chamber was purchased by Maesteg Town Council in 1889 for £2,000.

It was officially opened in November 1915. In January 1916 the chamber was used to listen to the appeals of men against their notice of conscription in the Armed Forces of World War One.

The talk concluded with a quiz on past buildings in the town and a tour by Neil Perry around several of the listed buildings.

Inspired Learners launches 'well-being service'

INSPIRED Learners opened its doors to professionals and parents recently to showcase the upgraded and expanded centre on Holton Road.

The centre originally opened its doors in March 2017 and the open day provided an opportunity for the Inspired Learners team to launch a new well-being service that aims to provide mental health support to learners in the community through therapeutic interventions.

Its summer school will include activities such as Lego, art and transition work to support children before they take their next step to their new school.



Pupils and staff from Oakfield and Jenner Park primary schools enjoyed the Kids Out event.

Kids Out fun with Rotary Club

ON June 12, the Rotary Club of Barry supported Rotary's National 'Kids Out' event and took 30 pupils from Oakfield and Jenner Park Primary Schools to Folly Farm Adventure Park and Zoo.

Pupils enjoyed a fun-filled day, organised by past president, Carl Kerr.

The day out was made possible thanks to the public's continued

generosity in supporting the Rotary Club's fundraising events.

The next event will be the Charity Duck Race and Summer Fete in the Knap Gardens on Saturday, July 20, from 11am to 4pm. Ducks can be sponsored on the day or in advance from Food for Thought Delicatessen, Doctor Bobs Balloons, Giggles Toy Shop in High Street or Romilly's Cafe at The Knap, Barry.

Rotary members will also be with Ditty the Duck on July 6-7 in Asda, Barry, where ducks can also be sponsored.

Students stage end-of-year exhibition

STUDENTS from Cardiff and Vale College (CAVC) are staging their annual end of year art exhibition in Arts Central, Barry.

The show opened on June 13, and runs until Saturday, June 22.

Students from courses ranging from Level 1 to Degree Level all have space set aside for them to display the best of their art.

There was a large turnout of visitors, ranging from students, proud parents, friends as well as staff from the college and representatives from the Royal British Legion at the opening.

Speeches were given by Vale AM Jane Hutt, who remarked on the quality of work on display, and the college's Head of Art and Design, Kristen Harries, who spoke of her pride in the department and how fantastic it was to see the results of the hard work students had put in through the year.

There was also a thank you from Teresa and Roy Goodwin, local representatives from the Royal British Legion who declared that they "had a lovely evening seeing the work and meeting the students who were rightly proud of what they had produced and achieved".

Students had raised £350, which was donated to the Poppy Appeal.

This was from the



Students alongside the work they produced for the 1418NOW project. Left to right is Malachai Denman, Courtney Stone, Sean Ball, Teresa Goodwin and Roy Goodwin.

AM welcomes Glamorgan Smallholders to the Assembly

SOUTH Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies has praised the work of Glamorgan Smallholders, after welcoming them to the National Assembly for Wales.

The organisation, chaired by Russell Capeling, is a networking group for smallholders in the Vale, and held the event at the Senedd to promote their work.

Several member organisations attended the event, including Garlic Meadow Smallholding at Culverhouse Cross, Wenvoe and Pensarn Barn in Llanmaes.

Garlic Meadow showcased their wool and goats milk soap, while Pensarn Barn brought along their free range eggs.

Mr Davies said:



South Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies welcomes Glamorgan Smallholders chair Russell Capeling and Natalie Hepburn from Garlic Meadow Smallholders to the Senedd.

Smallholders are a fantastic local organisation, providing help and support to smallholders within the Vale. It was great to catch up with my good friend Russ, whom I have known for many years, as well as several other member organisations. "It was good to see so much local produce on display, and I would like to thank them all for taking the time to come down to the Senedd and share their experiences with AMs."

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Glabelland Place, St Athan
3 Bedrooms
Superb Rear Garden
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AM views progress on water works in Barry

VALE AM Jane Hutt recently made a site visit with Vale Street resident representative and community champion Richard Bravey to view the impact and progress of the Cwm Cidi Estate Nant Talwg Sewer Welsh Water works, laying new pipes from the estate to link up to the drains system in Glamorgan Street.

Ms Hutt walked the site with Richard

Bravey and was disappointed to see the loss of trees and ancient hedgerows which had been drawn to her attention.

She said: "I have made representations on behalf of the residents of the estate regarding the access to the site for this major project and will be monitoring the impact of the works carefully with local residents."

"These essential works need to be undertaken, but it is vital that the trees are replaced, local wildlife is protected and I look forward to seeing those plans."

Youth Project team present pupil awards

CADDOXTON Youth Project and Team recently presented certificates and gift cards to pupils who took part in the Easter and sport events held at Victoria

Park in Cadoxton on April 13.

The team awarded Sully, Fairfield and Cadoxton Primary School pupils certificates: Cadoxton: first, Jayden Brian Coakley; first, Harry Banks; second, Noah Parsons; second,

Eva Mae Gee Parsons; third, Holly Said; third, Jasmine Coakley, Taysha Powell, Kyan Powell. Sully pupils: first, Ruby Mullins Jade; Rita Limbrick and Chris Casado; second, Leila Mullins. Fairfield Primary School: first, Ellie Mae Gosling.

When the sport of kings was held at Ely Racecourse...

AFTER providing a colourful chapter in the history of horse racing, 80 years ago this year, Cardiff's Ely Racecourse closed its gates forever.

Horse racing first came to Ely on May 30, 1855 but the sport was not entirely new to the town for the Ely racecourse was in line of descent from the old racecourse at Heath Farm.

In fact, Ely Racecourse was to survive right up until the start of the Second World War, and it was to attract some of the best horses in the country.

For instance, the dual Aintree Grand National winner *The Colonel* (1869/70) ran there, as did *Emblem* (1863) and *Emblematic* (1894). Other Grand National winners to grace the Ely turf were *Cloister*, *Father O'Flynn* and the legendary *Gold Miller*. The famed *Brown Jack*, ridden by Welshman LB Rees, won the Cardiff Club Juvenile Hurdle in 1927, and more than 40,000 racegoers had flocked to Ely to see the Welsh Grand National in 1895.

It was at Ely that Fulke Walwyn, the Queen Mother's trainer, rode his first winner while

other jockeys to ride there were the famed Anthony and Rees brothers from west Wales.

Cowbridge's Fred Williams, father of Evan Williams who won the Aintree Grand National on Royal Mail in 1937, was the official starter at

Ely Racecourse and two riders from the Vale who won the Welsh Grand National were David Thomas, who won on *Miss Balscadden* in 1926, and George Bowden, who won on the same mare in 1928.

In my book *The Welsh Grand National - from Deerstalker to Emperor's Choice* (The History Press), I told how Llantwit Major's Posy Lewis' father Major EC Morel's *Waving Star*, ridden by Alec Marsh, came close to winning the last Welsh Grand National to be run at Ely Racecourse.

It looked as though *Waving Star's* black, red and white colours, taken from the family shipping line which were immensely popular with racegoers, would record a local victory as the mare went half-a-dozen or so lengths clear after jumping the last.

But Jack Fawcus on *Lacatoi* conjured up a late run to win by the shortest of short heads to win the race for a third time - and to this day, no other horse has won the race three times.

Horse racing sadly came to an end at Ely Racecourse on April 27, 1939 after *Grasshopper*, partnered by Keith Piggott, father of the legendary Lester Piggott, won the last race.

Email your racing stories or pictures to brianlee4@virginmedia.com or call 02920 736438.

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Crime operations in Penarth tackle ASB and CSE

COMMUNITY Penarth Athletic Field at the end of last month. A 14-year-old boy has also been charged with an offence under the Assaults on Emergency Workers Act and is due in court later this month.

Officers were also out in Penarth during that weekend as part of Operation Brake to raise awareness of the signs of child sexual exploitation (CSE) within the night time economy.

This operation involves partnership working between South Wales Police's licensing and CSE teams along with the local authority's licensing enforcement teams. Staff at licensed premises, hotels and taxi drivers were spoken to by officers and posters highlighting how to identify the risks of CSE were distributed across the town.

Child sexual exploitation can happen to any child under the age of 18, making them vulnerable within the night time economy.

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Chief Inspector for the Vale of Glamorgan, Tony Williams.



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HOLE

Desmond Paul

Desmond left us on Saturday, 15 June 2019 surrounded by his family bursting with love. Paul 'Des' beloved husband of Caroline and a much loved father of Jess, Josh and Willy.

Funeral service will be held at 2pm on Thursday, 27th June 2019 at St Hilary Church (Vale of Glamorgan), a very special place for the family. Any donations, please contribute to a Parkinson's charity of your choice.

NORTH

Joan

(Formerly Field née Westwood)

Passed away on Saturday, 8th June at Ty Enfys Nursing Home, Pentwyn, Cardiff.

Joan is safe and free from pain.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. A service to celebrate the life of Joan is to be held at Bethel Baptist Church, Llantwit Major on Thursday, 27th June at 2pm.

MAGRIN

Leonard Peter (Lenny)

Peacefully after an illness, Lenny passed away on 31st May 2019 at home. Father to son Lee and daughter Michelle and son Matthew. Loving grandfather, great grandfather and loving brother.

Resting at Park Funeral Directors, Barry until the funeral service at 11am on Thursday, 27th June at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry. Family flowers only. Please wear something red.

HULME

Levi

Suddenly at home on the 7th June aged 35 years. Much loved son of the late Beverley, loving son to Mark.

Levi will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Resting at Robert D Johnson Funeral Directors, 29 Holton Road, Barry, until a service to celebrate Lewis' life on Monday, 1st July at Barry Cemetery Chapel at 11am, followed by Burial at 11:30am. Flowers may be sent to the funeral directors. For all enquiries 01446 733844

CORRIGAN

Julia

Suddenly at home aged 53 years. Much loved daughter of the late Theresa. Cherished mum to Danielle and Ashlee. An adored nan to Faith and Theodore. Loved and missed by her sister Tracy, brother Anthony and all her family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service in the Chapel of Rest on Wednesday, 26th June at 10am, thereafter to Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry at 11am.

No flowers please. Donations, if desired, to British Heart Foundation.

PROSSER

Graham Henry Pryce

10/05/1928 – 15/06/2019

Died peacefully at Llandough Hospital. Funeral service to be held on Wednesday, 26th June 2019 at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry at 10am. Flowers may be sent to the Green Willow Funerals, 21a Station Road, Dinas Powys CF64 4DE. All enquiries to Green Willow Funerals. Telephone 029 2051 4627.

UPHILL

Ryan

Suddenly, at home, on 2nd June. Loving son of Dianne and Phillip. Much loved brother to Samantha and Jackie. 'Dad' to Aimee and Rhiamon.

Resting at Robert D. Johnson Funeral Directors, 29 Holton Road, Barry. A service to celebrate Ryan's life will be held at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry on Thursday, 27th June at 2pm.

For all enquiries telephone Tel 01446 733844.

GERMAN

Jillian Mary

Peacefully at home on 30th May, Jillian, devoted wife to Eddie.

She will be greatly missed by all her extended family and friends.

Funeral service to take place at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Wednesday, 26th June at 12 noon.

No flowers by request

Further enquiries please telephone Lyndsay Ellis Funeral Director on 01446 407962.

HARRIS

Margaret (Peggy)

Sadly but peacefully at Llandough Hospital on 8th June after a long illness. Much loved mother to Susan, grandmother to Ryan, Danielle and Kylie and great grandmother to Kelsey and Ashton and mother-in-law to Gary.

Peggy will be sorely missed by all who loved and knew her.

Funeral service to be held at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry on Friday, 28th June at 3pm.

Acknowledgements

PETERS

Theresa Thelma

In loving memory of Thelma who passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday, 18th June 2019, aged 90 years. Thelma will be sadly missed by her devoted husband Tony, sons Michael and Tony junior. Grandchildren Jon, Catherine and Olivia. Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Friday, 28th June, service 11.30am at St Helens Roman Catholic Church, Barry, followed by interment 1pm at Porthkerry Cemetery. The family would like to thank Marie Curie Hospice, district nurses and doctors for the wonderful care they've given Thelma during her illness.

Flowers by immediate family only. Donations if wished for Marie Curie Hospice Centre, Penarth c/o the funeral director.

DODD

Iris Mary (née Leckey)

Sadly on Saturday, 8th June 2019, at home, Iris beloved wife of the late John. Mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister and friend.

Will be sadly missed by all.

Resting at W.H. Preene & Son, Cadoxton until the service at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Monday, 24th June at 2pm.

No flowers. Donations, in memory of Iris, may be made to WaterAid UK c/o W.H. Preene & Son, 54 Main Street, Cadoxton, CF63 2HN. Tel: 01446 420520.

ULLIOTT

Carol

Chris, Sharon, Sarah and families would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for all the kind messages of sympathy, words of comfort and cards of condolence they received following the sad loss of Carol.

Thank you to all that attended the service and for the kind donations received to Cancer Research UK, which amounted to £210.

In Memory

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Philip

23 June 2013

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KLEE

Karon

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Sandra Williams BEM!! 🎵😊

HARDING

Byron

Peacefully on the 8th June 2019 at the University of Wales Hospital, Cardiff, Byron aged 88 years. Beloved wife of the late Jean, much loved dad of Adrian, Ian and daughter-in-law Michelle.

Resting at Robert D Johnson Funeral Directors, 29 Holton Road, Barry until his funeral service on Thursday, 4th July at All Saints Church, Barry at 10:30am, followed by interment at Barry Cemetery at 12 noon.

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CROOKE

Cheryl Margaret (Mags)

Mags passed away suddenly on the 9th June 2019 at home, surrounded by her loving family. Dearly loved and cherished wife of Mike. Adored mum to Emma and Charlie. Much loved sister to Ann and David, and daughter-in-law to Myrna and Edward. Beloved daughter of the late Derrick and Nan Chambers.

Taken from us too soon, Mags will be very sadly missed by all her family and friends.

She will live on forever in our hearts.

Mags is resting at W.A. Brown Funeralcare until her funeral service on Thursday, 27th June at 12.30pm at St Illtyd's Church, Llantwit Major, followed by committal at Coychurch Crematorium at 2.15pm.

Donations if desired, in memory of Mags, may be made to Macmillan Cancer Support.

All enquiries to A.G. Adams Funeralcare, Barry. Telephone 01446 735400.

BLACKIE

Joseph Banks

Joseph sadly passed away aged 87 years after a long illness at Llandough Hospital on Tuesday, 28th May 2019. Beloved husband to the late Joy, much loved father to David, Joey, Jeffrey and stepchildren Alan, Sharon and Lionel. Loved grandfather and great grandfather.

He will be deeply missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at Green Willow Funerals 21a Station Road, Dinas Powys, CF64 4DE until the funeral service to be held at St Helens RC Church, Barry on Thursday, 27th June at 10am, followed by interment at Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery, Cemetery Road, Barry, CF62 8BP at 11.30am.

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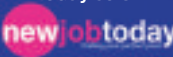
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Signed: M Studt
Date: 14th June 2019

End of season - but the chess keeps on going!

THE East Glamorgan League season finished last month.

There are however still plenty of opportunities for our members to be involved in competitive chess.

June 1 was the deadline for the annual Alec Wood Trophy.

This is awarded to the East Glamorgan player whose rating has increased the most over 11 months and is open to all players with a recognised rating.

Sadly the winner was not a member of the Barry Chess Club but unusually it was won by an adult player, Kimberly Chong of the Cardiff Chess Club.

Sam Jukes remains the only Barry player to have held this trophy. Roger Jenkins from Pontypridd is the only other adult to have won this trophy.

Three of our players appear in the top 40 with Mike O'Leary in 25th place with his rating increased by 77 points; Mark Cooke appears in 34th place and Ray Denyer in 36th place with increases of 64 and 60 points respectively.

The Barry Club Championships commenced on June 17 with 15 entrants. We also have a Knockout Cup match on June 24.

In the Knockout Cup we received a bye in the previous round and now find ourselves playing the North Cardiff D team; Sam White captains our team.

The Barry Chess Club meets at 7.30pm each Monday at the West End Club, St. Nicholas Road, Barry, CF62 6QY.

The club is open to players of all standards; whether you are interested in playing competitive chess or just the occasional friendly games.

New players are very welcome to just turn up on the night but if you contact one of the club members through the website we can explain what is happening on the night you have in mind, and arrange for someone to greet you on your arrival.

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PJ

Romilly Bowls Club's three wins out of four

ON Saturday, June 15, the Romilly first team travelled to Caerphilly.

Scores - Rink 2: Dave Francis, Roger Jones, Steve Close and skip Brian Foscolo 17-18, the home team picking up two on the last end to win; Rink 3: Kelvin Mills, Terry Bloomfield, Mel Newman and skip Mike Doyle 19-32; Rink 4: Alan Bryan, Dave Noble, Gwyn Ree and skip Graham Cogbill 17-19; Rink 5: Phil Gershenson, Jeff Daly, Gary Eastment and skip Jeff Wright 20-12. Aggregate defeat: 73-81.

That day also saw the first competitive game for the Romilly A side at home under new captain Anthony Jones.

Scores: Rink 1: Don Evans, John Kirkpatrick, Anthony Jones and skip John Kirk 25-10; Rink 2: Eric Fortt, Phil Herbert, Paul Ross and skip Anthony Freeman 12-22; Rink 3: Paul James, Stuart Simpson, Phil Edwards and skip Ray Hewitson 39-4; Rink 4: Dennis Mottram, Brian Parker, Barry Griffiths and skip Alan Bannister 24-11. Aggregate win for

Romilly 100-47.

On Wednesday, June 5, Barry Romilly played Cadoxton in the Munro Cup.

Scores: Rink 1: Paul James, Dave Noble, Jeff Daly and skip Mel Newman 26-12; Rink 2: Des Bannister, John Kirk, Alan Bannister and skip Alan Bryan 23-14; Rink 3: Don Evans, Phil Edwards, Ray Hewitson and skip Tony Freeman 24-9; Rink 4: Stuart Simpson, Eric Fortt, Roger Jones and skip Steve Close 22-11. Aggregate win for Romilly 95-46.

On Saturday, June 8, Barry Romilly firsts entertained Bargoed at home.

Scores: Rink 1: Dave Francis, Roger Jones, Steve Close and skip Brian Foscolo 19-22; Rink 2: Jerry Daly, Paul Swannick, Gary Eastment and skip Jeff Wright 16-19; Rink 3: Kelvin Mills, Terry Bloomfield, Mel Newman and skip Mike Doyle 26-18; Rink 4: Alan Bannister, Dave Noble, Alan Bryan and skip Graham Cogbill 36-11. Aggregate win 97-70.

JK

Wenvoe Castle members turn out in force to enjoy their Captain's Day

AT the height of the golfing season the club captain at Wenvoe Castle is given freedom of the course to arrange a special day for all club members to enjoy some competitive golf and special prizes.

Club captain Lesley Sherrard was rewarded with a huge turnout with members really enjoying a delightful mix of competitive golf but played in great social atmosphere.

Best score of the day went to Dan Williams with 40 stableford points just ahead of Paul McCarthy who was runner-up on countback with 38 points.

Nicola Manning won the ladies prize with 32 points and Keith Stimpson was nearest the pin on the ninth hole. Keiran Bowen displayed some huge hitting and accuracy to score a rare albatross by holing out in two strokes on a par-5, in this case the demanding 13th hole.

Lesley thanked all those who took part in a very enjoyable day on the course in its usual magnificent condition.

The members were all thanked for their generous support given to her nominated charity

Parkinson's UK-Wales on the day and funds will continue to be raised throughout her special year as club captain.

Members were up bright and early for the men's June Medal held the following day and Lloyd Bolt put in a consistent performance to win with a net 70, just ahead of Declan Morgan who also posted a net 70 but lost out on countback. Kevin Knowles was a close third with a net 71.

This was followed by the regular seniors Stableford during mid-week and Charlie Kinsey took first place with a steady 34 points, enough to hold off Jack Shore just one point behind on 33 points.

The men remained busy on the weekend with stableford competitions on both Saturday and Sunday.

On Saturday Darren Jeffries posted three birdies and 10 pars in an immaculate round to win with 40 points. The in-form Kevin Knowles just missed out again scoring a birdie and 10 pars in an excellent 39 points.

On Sunday Wayne Curtis took the spoils with an even higher score of 41 points which included no less than 12 pars, and was just enough



Lesley Sherrard, the club captain.

to hold off John Finlay who missed out by a single point, scoring 39 points.

The ladies section have been equally busy with Sheila Morrow and Dee Lloyd winning the Australian Spoons qualifier and will go through to the regional finals at Swansea Bay in early July and hopefully onwards to the all-Wales final in late September.

The ladies Coronation Foursomes qualifier took place recently with Karen Ball and Delyth Thomas coming out on top with 31 points. Karen and Delyth will travel to regional finals to be held

at Weston Super Mare in mid-July and with the aim of qualifying for the grand final to be held in September and played on the prestigious Eden Course at the home of Golf, St Andrews in Scotland.

They hope to emulate Barbara Beedham and Maria Venn who did so well to make the grand final last year.

Last Saturday the ladies competed for the Millennium Plate which was a fourball better ball format and a high/low handicap partnership.

Sian Smith and Caroline Holland combined well to win with 37 points. Linda Marples and Jo Marriot were runners-up with 34 points and needed to countback for them to be ahead of Sue Dayananda and Chris Robinson, also with 34 points.

The club were absolutely delighted that member Sheila Morrow, a past lady captain and very successful golfer at Wenvoe Castle, was recognised in the Queen's Birthday Honours, being awarded an OBE for her services to hockey.

Well done Sheila and congratulations from all at Wenvoe Castle on this outstanding and well-deserved achievement.

BJ

Linda takes silver medal



JUNE 11 was scheduled for the ladies' captain's competition and presentation evening.

The dire forecast from Derek at the BBC Weather did not promise a rain free day.

However, ladies' captain Jo Kirkpatrick made a decision that with the course open and buggies available, the competition would take place.

Brynhill seemed to have its own little micro-climate without any rain for the day, compared to the rest of the country. However, the winds were ferocious and made playing conditions very tricky.

The Brynhill ladies are made of stern stuff and went out to support Ladies' Captain's Day. The 18 holes over, they came into the clubhouse frozen and desperate for hot drinks.

The Silver Division winner with 32 points was Linda Hewlett (pictured above) with runner up Robbie Lee on 28.

The Bronze Division winner with a magnificent 40 points was Lili Mae O'Carroll and runner up was vice captain Lisa Taylor with 33 points. Nearest the pin on the 9th was Glynis Gould.

The ladies' captain presented the winners with Swarovski bracelets and the runners up with M&S vouchers.

The evening's entertainment followed, featuring Davey Sheppard on guitar singing a medley of songs from the '60s, '70s and '80s. The ladies' captain, vice captain and Glynis formed a girl band and entertained with a comedy song. Jo Kirkpatrick sang a Robbie Williams song with Davey Sheppard. Jo thanked Rachel and the catering, bar and course staff for their help and support during the day and Davey for his entertainment.

JMK

Llantwit bowlers suffer Munro Cup reverse

LEAGUE leaders Llantwit welcomed Penarth recently for their Munro Cup match and were defeated 86-63 - making Penarth the new table toppers.

Steve Booker's rink were Llantwit's only winners in a very close match. At the halfway stage, Llantwit led by five shots.

They increased their lead to nine shots by the 13th end before Penarth replied with eight shots over the next three ends.

Llantwit held on to win by one shot.

Neville Young's rink took until the ninth end before they got on the scoreboard and another five ends before they scored again, with the Penarth skip having an excellent game to deprive Llantwit of a score and give Penarth the majority of ends.

Charles Hiscock's rink led by six shots on the 10th end, then Penarth came into it,

winning the next three ends to take the lead which they held for the remainder of the match to win by five shots.

Graham Merchant's rink were trailing until the seventh end when they drew level.

They trailed again before three good ends by Llantwit gave them the lead by one shot.

Penarth came back, winning three of the final four ends to win by three shots.

On Saturday, Llantwit were supposed to welcome Blaenrhondda for a league fixture.

All the food was prepared and Llantwit were all dressed waiting for the visitors to arrive, but no one turned up.

They were playing a game elsewhere and it was a case of lack of communication.

NY

Barry Central Bowls Club round-up

THE past week has seen much of the bowling affected by the weather.

The ladies section of Barry Central Bowls Club has been unable to play a single match, including the eagerly-awaited mixed pairs competition with the men of the club.

It is hoped that this competition will have been played by the time of going to press.

The men's section has been somewhat luckier, having been able to complete their Munro Cup match away to Sully Sports.

The match ended with the club winning on one rink and drawing on one rink.

Rink scores: T. Kaged 19-17; G. Goldthorpe 17-17; R. Pearce 9-21; J. Selley 8-31.

Sully Sports 84, Barry Central 53.

On reflection, the Barry Central team dropped 34 shots over the last six ends for each rink.

On Saturday, June 15,

the club hosted the team from Ely Racecourse in the Cardiff Municipal League.

With rain an issue the match took place, with the odd scramble for waterproofs.

The visitors, especially on one rink, showed the ability to play a very good game, with the skip playing some fine point saving shots.

After what turned out to be a close match, Central won overall by five shots.

Rink Scores: G. Goldthorpe 14-24; T. Goddard 22-17; D. Goddard 19-20; T. Evans 25-14. Barry Central 80 (10 points), Ely Racecourse 75 (four points).

The team as a whole, in both competitions, must attempt to stop dropping shots - particularly towards the end of matches - which could result in defeats.

BC

Phillips takes the President's Cup

BRYNHILL Golf Club held a singles Stapleford competition last Sunday, when the prestigious President's Cup was the prize on offer.

The best on the day was Peter Phillips with a handicap-busting 40 points, one better than Scott Nelson. Both players will face the wrath of the handicap secretary and can expect to be playing off a couple of strokes less next week.

Next weekend starts with a bit of fun with the Festival Texas Scramble on the Saturday, before it gets serious again on the Sunday when two Medal competitions are held over this wonderful course, the Bob Hope Trophy (nett) for the hackerati while the elites battle it out for the Tennessee Cup (gross).

On Monday the seniors' championship was won by Andrew Down, whose respectable 38 points was sufficient to edge out Tony Hewlett on a back nine countback.

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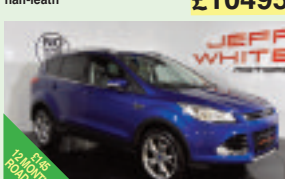
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Close but no cigar against Splott for Cadoxton bowlers

FOLLOWING another week without a fixture on Wednesday, Splott Phoenix were the Saturday visitors to Cadoxton Bowling Club for a CML 5 match.

Howard Craven's rink had a good start which gave them an 8-3 advantage. A '4' to each side kept the 5 shot difference. A single put them on 13 where they remained while four singles were conceded. Another '4' increased the gap, but then a run of singles against gave the visitors a one shot lead with one end left. They remained unbeaten but had to be satisfied with a draw after a single to finish.

Don Kuhnell's rink started the game with a three-quarter length jack and after

losing a two on the first end built up a 9-2 advantage before the opposition were able to add any more to their score. They then increased the jack to full length.

Don struggled on the heavy going at this length and was thankful for the good form of the other three players on his rink to keep the opposition always in arrears.

Kelvin Chedgoy's rink struggled to a deficit of 11-3 by the 12th end. Six shots in the next three ends gave some hope, however only two further singles were managed during the remaining ends, with four against.

Mike Hurley looked to be set for a win on his rink with a 9-0 start, but by the eighth end the scores were level at 9-9. This

moved on to a 11 shot deficit before a late recovery reduced this to just one shot with a single against on the last end stopping a complete revival.

A very close game but just three points scored from the 14 available.

Scores: E Heppenstall, E Davies, W Craven, H Craven 19, J Webber, M Greenwood, H Camfield, G Watts 19; A Prince, M Curtis, P Ellis, K Chedgoy 11, S Carr, R Brown, D Harvey, R Barry 15; D Jenkins, G Goddard, J Davies, M Hurley 22, M Trebilcock, L Davies S Wilcox, D Wilcox 24; J Stacey, S Clarke, I Heppenstall, D Kuhnell 16, R Cole, D Cole, M Hadley, V Griffin 11. Final score: 68-69.

Vale CC firsts extend lead at top of league

VALE Cricket Club firsts continued their winnings ways after securing a comprehensive victory against relegation strugglers Ebbw Vale.

On a day that saw many other matches called off for the rain, Vale managed to get the whole game on – a symbolic representation of our volunteers' hard work and time.

After losing the toss, Vale were put into bat and openers Matthew Thomas (13) and 17-year-old Alex Upham (117) put on 50 runs for the first wicket before Thomas was out in the ninth over, LBW, to the interesting bowling style of Yasir Iqbal.

JJ Davies and Upham continued Vale's onslaught of the bowling attack. Both managed to rotate the strike well, turning good balls into scoring opportunities.

JJ (97) scored at a very good pace but Upham maintained his steady scoring rate and reached his half-century before the halfway point.

Upham then continued to his impressive display, surpassing his season's best of 74 which he ironically scored batting with JJ two weeks ago batting away at Sully.

Both batsmen timed the ball well and with the occasional over going for above 10 runs, the two could bat sensibly knowing that time was on their side given the fact that they had made such an excellent start.

Upham then received a rapturous applause from his teammates as he passed triple figures to secure his maiden century. Helmet off, bat raised, his team stood to applaud this young talented cricketer in the hope that there are many more to come.

After reaching three figures, Upham started to loosen his shoulders and clobbered another 17 runs before being stumped with just a few overs remaining.

Unfortunately JJ was unable to add the extra three runs needed to reach his century but his teammates and spectators enjoyed watching his excellent innings.

Vale finished their innings with a colossal 249-2. With maximum batting points secured Vale enjoyed their tea with many of the lads making their first contribution of the day by pouring tea and serving squash.

After tea, the target was clear - field well, bowl straight and force the opposition to give away their wickets.

Keane and Richards were the opening pair for Ebbw Vale. Both batsmen hit well-timed boundaries

but amongst these good shots were edges and many plays and misses. Ebbw Vale had to start chasing runs from the first over given the fact that they had to score 250 to win.

Darren Upham (1-35) took the first wicket as he bowled Richards for 18 and fellow opening bowler Dean Oram (1-30) had Wallace caught in the slips by Joe Hodges.

The introduction of Matthew Williams, who took four wickets away at Newport last week, saw him continue his excellent form with the ball by taking another four this week.

The first of four was opening batsman (36) who was removed by keeper Harry Withers with a sharp stumping. Withers was also brought into play, taking Williams' fourth with a well-taken catch standing up to the stumps.

The second was caught by Alex Upham and the third was a very smart caught and bowled with Williams jumping to his left, arm outstretched. Williams then finished with figures of 4-12 from his allotted nine overs.

JJ Davies helped Matthew Williams to rattle through the Ebbw Vale batting order taking 3-26 in his overs. The first wicket was caught at mid-off by Snelson, the second was bowled and the third was caught by Darren Upham.

In this comprehensive victory it seems only fitting that Alex Upham should finish the game with his first ball being caught by captain Brendan McCay, who was relieved to see the spinning dolly dropper remain in his clutches.

This week Vale travel to Cardiff to face Lisvane who are fourth in the table. Vale's lead at the top of the South East Wales Division 3 is now up to 16 points and they'll be upping their training and focus in the hope to see that lead increase.

Vale CC would like to thank their corporate sponsors Bridgend Ford and Fine Wines Direct for their continued support and generosity.

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Jack Murphy forced to retire with knee injury

GLAMORGAN batsman Jack Murphy has announced his retirement from professional cricket with immediate effect due to a knee injury.

The 23-year-old has only been able to appear a handful of times for the club this season because of the injury, which he aggravated during a second eleven match against Somerset earlier this season.

Murphy sustained an injury last year that he has not fully recovered from and after two specialist opinions was advised to retire.

He is a product of the Glamorgan Academy and was the Academy Player of the Year in 2013, before he went on to make his First-Class debut for the club in 2017 after a series of impressive performances for the 2nd XI.

He enjoyed a breakthrough season in 2018 when he amassed over 500 runs in the Specsavers County Championship, which included a career-best 80 against Kent at Canterbury.

"It has been a dream come true to play and represent Glamorgan and that has made it an even harder decision to have to call time on my cricket career," said Murphy.

"I will always be proud of my time and achievements with the club, especially the game against Kent last season.

"I owe a huge thank you to the club, coaching staff and the entire back

room team who have supported me throughout my journey with cricket. From my first representative game for Cricket Wales at the age of nine through to earning my cap and playing first-class cricket.

"Although it is going to be a difficult period transitioning out of the game I love, I am excited about what the future holds, the opportunities that await me and turning my dedication to a new profession.

"I would also like to thank the PCA for their support over the past few months in helping me prepare for this decision and my future plans.

"I have made lifelong friends in this sport and I wish Glamorgan all the success in the future and again I sincerely thank everyone who has helped and supported me."

Director of cricket, Mark Wallace, said: "I would like to wish Jack the very best from everyone at Glamorgan, and thank him for his services to the club both on and off the field.

"Jack is a very popular member of the dressing room and the club in general and it's very sad for Jack and his family that he has had to cut such a promising career short due to the injury.

"We wish Jack all the very best for the future and look forward to seeing him around the club."

Ray and Joe are winners at stormy St Mary's GC

ST Mary's senior section played their annual Stableford Pairs competition (both scores counting) with a handsome trophy to be claimed by the winning pair.

With a forecast for heavy rain through the morning, just 20 players turned up on the day.

Happily, however, the forecasters got it wrong and, save for an occasional squally shower, the promised persistent rain held off.

Strong overnight winds had, however, blown down five trees, and the 10 pairings had to contend not only with the remaining very blustery conditions but also with

fairways liberally littered with broken branches and other debris.

The overall scoring was understandably modest but two pairings broke away from the rest of the field. Section captain, Dave Hughes, with partner Roger Hatton, secured second place with a score of 69 points, just three less than the par of 72.

Claiming the trophy, however, with an excellent combined score of 76 points were Ray Stacey and partner Joe Davis.

Doug Mein and new member, Frank Bradshaw, both bagged a two on the par three 10th.

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Old Hall Bridge Club results

THE results for Old Hall Bridge Club on Wednesday, June 12, were:

First; Glenda Roberts and Liam Sheridan 61.67 per cent, second Barbara Exton and Eleanor Jones 58.75 per cent.

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Centurions 1sts are well beaten by Lisvane 2nds

SULLY Centurions' 2nd XI match at Cefn Fforest and Maescywmmer was rained off.

However, the worst of the weather missed Sully, allowing the 1st XI to play host to Lisvane 2nd XI.

Unfortunately, they were beaten by the visitors in a match that saw Centurions experience a middle order batting collapse that effectively left the tail with an uphill struggle.

Chasing 194 to win, Centurions slumped to 134 all out.

Only skipper Rhett Jones (39) and number 9 batsman Kieron Ferriday (28) made any significant contribution.

Sully Centurions 134 all out. Lisvane 193-6.

This Saturday the 1st XI travel to Hopkinstown, while the 2nd XI entertain Crumlin 2nd XI at Burnham Avenue.

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Barrivale Bridge Club latest results

THE results for the Barrivale Bridge Club on Tuesday, June 11 are as follows:

1. Kay Dyer & Sean MacDougall 61.46 per cent; 2. Peter Millar & Mark Roderick 58.33 per cent; 3. Mike Close & Mick Green 57.81 per cent. The handicap winners were Kay and Sean.

As always, new members at the club are always welcomed and a partner may be arranged, if required.

If you would like to join us, telephone 01446 735592 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl Road, Barry at 7pm on Tuesday evening.

Also, players inexperienced or new to bridge continue to play on Friday mornings at 10am (doors open 9.45am) at the Pioneer Hall for lessons and assisted play, and Thursday afternoons for assisted play from 1.30pm-4pm at the Barry Uniting Church, Heol y Llongau, Barry, CF63 4AP.

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Bridge results

RESULTS for the Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club for June 17:

First, Tony Ratcliffe and John Salisbury 70 per cent; second, Mike Best and David Birt 59.58 per cent; 3rd Geoff Tinkler and John Henson 58.75 per cent.

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Bridgend Bridge Club latest results

THE latest results for Bridgend Bridge Club are as follows:

On Wednesday, June 12:

Equal first, Mike Best and David Birt, Glyn Williams and Irene Wickham, and Steve Burgoyne and Linda Pinnock. The winners on handicap were Glyn Williams and Irene Wickham.

On Thursday, June 13:

First, Vida Halford and Glyn Williams; second, Frances Heslin and Dee Finch; third, Dilys Bowser and V. Irene Thomas.

The winners on handicap were Frances Heslin and Dee Finch.

On Friday, June 14:

First, Linda Pinnock and Bill

Turner; second, Vida Halford and Glyn Williams; third, Irene Thomas and Marjorie Morris.

The winners on handicap were Linda Pinnock and Bill Turner.

Regular club nights take place at 7pm on Wednesday and Friday evenings at Nolton Church Hall.

On Thursday afternoons at 2pm, again at Nolton Church Hall, there is a gentle bridge session when help is available with the bidding.

All sessions are played in a friendly manner, visitors and new members are always welcome.

For more information, please contact Steve Burgoyne on 01656 661968.

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Cowbridge 'match winners' are equal to the challenge

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It is on such performances that championships are won and lost, that destinies of clubs depend.

Saturday afternoon at Dafen was an occasion when two of Cowbridge's match winners needed to step up to the challenge. The supporters and teammates were not to be disappointed.

Batting first on a wet pitch, Ben Wright (86) and Tom Merilaht (32) put on 98 for the first wicket before Tom was caught.

The scoring rate then fell, if not alarmingly, certainly enough to need Brad Evans to go after the bowling to get the total over the two hundred mark. His six fours and two sixes in 51 not out was enough to post a total of 229-5. Enough, probably, but

comfortable? Probably not.

An early wicket steadied Cowbridge nerves but at Dafen you are never quite sure what your total means. It's a small ground, very small in parts and that makes it difficult to defend. With years of experience, the locals know how to chase and they set themselves up perfectly.

With the final 16 overs, the home side needed 74 with 5 wickets standing. In the Cowbridge corner Chris Willey had four overs of Brad to be used judiciously. When would he introduce 'The Express'? The time was now.

In a flash two quick wickets from Brad effectively fixed it and the breathing returned to normal. Then Tom Williams had the potential match-winner, Phillips, from the Dafen ranks caught by Brad for 71 and the lights went out on the challenge. Brad had taken 4-21 off his 10 overs.

It had all been a bit too close for comfort but Cowbridge had prevailed. The match winners, Wright and Evans, had done their

stuff.

Earlier in the season the second match, where Cowbridge had played Tata Steel, had included a match-winning performance by Tom Merilaht, a slow, solid and absolutely invaluable hundred that put the game firmly in the Cowbridge orbit.

Now as we approach the halfway mark that win is starting to look very influential in the league placings. To beat your nearest rivals is sometimes referred to as a 'double pointer'; it isn't, but such victories are likely to provide a buffer of points and the denial of points to the other side is important. Tom's innings can now be seen in context.

So where does that all leave us? Cowbridge 122, Tata 106; the next, Llanelli, probably need four wins and Cowbridge to hit a losing streak for Llanelli to challenge.

The game on July 13 is beginning to be talked about in terms of it being the most important game for a generation. It will be a day when the match winners will have to do their stuff.

Next week

Llangennech are the visitors to the Athletic Ground.

A close encounter for local teams

COWBRIDGE hosted last week's encounter between two local rivals - Vale CC at the Athletic ground in the Vale mid-week T20 league.

Winning the toss and batting first Cowbridge were soon in trouble at the half way stage with the score at 55 for 5.

The visitors' bowling was accurate and supported by excellent fielding, making scoring quite difficult. One batsman stood out in the form of Jack Cropper, who scored a patient 56 with six fours and he was the mainstay in an innings that finished on 103 for 8.

All batsmen on a slow track found the runs hard to come by, especially against the young twin brothers of G Merry (2 for 21) and T Merry (3 for 12).

The Vale team started brightly, with all their batsmen getting in but unable to up the run rate. A contribution of

20 runs by A Upham set the visitors well on their way and at the half-way mark, victory was in their grasp.

However, the Vale team encountered the same difficulty as the home team in gaining runs, with the Cowbridge bowling and fielding of a high standard. Two wickets to Andy Harrison and one apiece to Rian Thomas and Jack Davies was upstaged by the off spin of Rhydian Harris and bowling hero Tom Williams, who took four wickets for one run.

Local boy Sean Rowlands, who was 12 not out, tried his best to guide his team home but fell five runs short, with the innings closing at 98 for 8 and victory to Cowbridge by five runs.

This was an excellent game of cricket with high skill levels and the low scoring contributed to a tense and exciting finish.

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Rob's eight-wicket haul shocks Mumbles

AFTER weeks of watching his team mates make the headlines, Rob Toutt stepped up and re-wrote the record book as he took eight wickets in a devastating seven-over spell of bowling against Mumbles.

Mumbles travelled to Windmill Lane looking to get their season back on track after being beaten in their previous game against league leaders Llandysul. The Cavaliers captain, Gareth Toutt, won the toss and asked Mumbles to bat on a damp wicket.

Gareth knew that as long as his bowlers put the ball in the right spot, runs would be very difficult to come by.

The pair of Ieuan Williams and Callum Hayes were the youngest opening bowlers that the Cavs have seen for many years but both bowled exceptionally well during their spell, which included five consecutive maiden overs.

With runs proving to be very difficult to come by, the Mumbles batsmen needed to take a few chances and in the 14th over, with the score on just 18, Hayes took the first wicket courtesy of a confident catch at mid on by Tom Spargo.

After losing the wicket and knowing that a change of bowling was due, the Mumbles batsmen played it safe, resulting in Williams returning figures of 11 runs off his 8 overs and Hayes having just 9 runs scored off his 7.

Captain Toutt decided for the second week running to make a double change of bowling and introduced last week's bowling star, Gurpreet Romana and Rob Toutt. It was not long before the match turned into the 'Toutt and Romana show'.

Toutt clean bowled the slow-scoring Mumbles No 2, before Williams coolly took the first of two high

catches to make it two for Toutt. He then took an excellent caught and bowled before Williams held on to another high ball to help him to his fourth wicket.

Toutt continued to bowl a great line and with Romana fielding in close, the pressure was on the Mumbles tail-end batsmen. Romana took three great catches to leave Toutt with the amazing figures of 8 wickets off 7 overs.

The pair were not finished there as they linked up again. This time with Toutt taking a catch off Romana's bowling which left Mumbles bowled out for just 54 in 30 overs.

Knowing that the batting conditions were difficult, the Cavs' openers, Craig Thomas and Nigel Allison, were very conscious that if the Mumbles bowlers used the conditions, runs would be difficult to score.

Fortunately, they were not a patch on the Cavs' attack and it was not long before both Thomas and Allison were scoring freely. The pair eased their way past the Mumbles total in the ninth over, resulting in the second 10-wicket victory in three matches.

Rob's club record-breaking eight-wicket haul means that he is the fourth Cavs bowler this season to take five wickets in a match.

Three of those five-wicket hauls have come in the last three consecutive matches.

Next week the team will look to continue their good run of form as they travel to Llandarcy

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Cowbridge Tennis Club teams are on a roll.

IT is now half way through the South Wales tennis summer leagues and Cowbridge Men's and Ladies first teams are sitting pretty at the top of their respective leagues in Premier 3 and Division 2 East.

The ladies first team have not lost a match all season, clearly demonstrating the benefits of fielding the same players and pairs for all but one of their six matches to date. The ladies last match was an intriguing affair against close friends and rivals Creigau.

The match was all the

more intriguing by some of Creigau's members also being members of CLTC. In a very close match played to a very high standard, the clash of the top pairs lasted almost two hours, over three sets, and Dace Repke and Natalie Morgan edged it for Cowbridge.

The men's firsts, after scrapping to stay in Premier 3 last year, have found a new lease of life with some new players adding more depth to their squad. The most pleasing aspect of this is the new first team players have worked their way through the third and second teams.

For the first time in

Cowbridge's history, we have six teams all in with a chance of promotion.

Particular highlights include our men's third team remaining unbeaten in Div 5 and further debuts in the ladies 3rd team, including progress from our juniors as Daisy Buick and Millie Davies played their first senior matches against Radyr.

The club has a thriving membership and there are opportunities for all to play most nights, Saturday afternoons and Ladies mornings. For more information, go to <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/CowbridgeTennisClub> or call 07919 816609.

DB

Well-deserved victory for Cowbridge second XI

DESPITE the poor weather, Cowbridge were still able to fulfil their fixture against Felinfoel. This was in no small part down to the herculean efforts of club groundsman and chairman Huw Williams in preparing the ground.

Cowbridge won the toss and elected to field first. Both Felinfoel opening batsmen made a steady start but were kept quiet by accurate bowling from John Gilbert and Joe Russell.

It was the introduction of Sami Khan that led to the first wicket with Felinfoel at 43 for 1 after 20 overs.

At the halfway stage, Felinfoel knew they would need to increase the run rate if they were to post a competitive total.

However, Felinfoel

had not countered on the mystery spin of Naveed Younis. Naveed, bowling in his cap, a la 'Universe Boss' Chris Gayle, bamboozled the Felinfoel batsmen. None of the batsmen were able to play him, resulting in a flurry of wickets, which stifled Felinfoel's attempts to increase the run rate.

In the end, Felinfoel were bowled out for 99 with Naveed finishing with excellent figures of 5 for 11 off 5 overs.

Chasing a small total, and mindful that the pitch was starting to misbehave, the Cowbridge openers, Joe Russell and Jonty Webb, began the run chase in a watchful manner.

Through a combination of good running between the wickets and punishing the bad ball when it came along, Cowbridge reached 23 before Joe fell leg before.

This brought Jonny

Napier to the crease and the runs began to flow. However, with two quick wickets Cowbridge were left slightly precarious on 69 for 3 off 20 overs.

This concern was misplaced as Umar Rafique then came to the crease and reeled off a flurry of boundaries to take Cowbridge past the total in the 26th over with Jonty Webb carrying his bat for a typically stoical and untruffled 30 runs.

This victory has propelled Cowbridge up the table and away from the relegation zone. It was very pleasing that Cowbridge were able to put in what was a very clinical performance with all members of the side contributing.

Hopefully Cowbridge can chalk up another victory when they travel to Drefach in rural Carmarthenshire.

JW

Llantwit lady bowlers in action

L L A N T W I T Major Bowling Club ladies welcomed the second team from Prince of Wales Porthcawl, the Sandpipers.

They are fortunate with their membership to be able to play two teams in the Cowbridge Shield Competition as we played Curlews last week.

Our ladies faired well, and although Eryl, Margaret, Carol and Marian lost 7-23 our other ladies made up for it.

Liz, Ros, Julie and Jenny progressed steadily, playing against a team of three.

With the score at 9-11 on the 14th end they won the last four ends, winning 15-8.

Kay, Pat, Ann and

Etta put the pressure on from the start with POW only managing to win five ends, the score 21-5. Well done ladies.

On Thursday, with the weather not looking good, the ladies took on the men in the Wooden Spoon competition.

Starting in the rain we finished in beautiful sunshine.

The men gave no quarter, playing an excellent game and won on all rinks.

The Wooden Spoon was presented by Marilyn to the ladies. It was an enjoyable afternoon well run by our competition secretaries Marilyn and Glyn.

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